Swiss Officials Debate Execution' Theory in Sect Members' Deaths

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service GRANGES-SUR-SALVAN, Switzerland — Swiss investigators raised doubts Thursday whether the 48 members of an esoteric sect who were found dead in two Swiss villages Wednesday had taken part in a collective suicide, noting that some of them had been administered a powerful drug hefore they died.

Andre Piller, a magistrate investigating the deaths of 23 sect members at a farmhouse in the village of Cheiry, said that some evidence still supported the idea of a collective suicide hut that other evidence "makes us think of an execu-tion." He added: "We cannot exclude one or the other."

He said it was possible that some sect members had chosen to die by taking "a powerful violent substance," hut he recalled that 20 of the 23 bodies had hullet wounds, that 10 had sealed plastic bags over their heads and that several had been found with their hands tied behind

Bernard Geiger, the police chief of the region that includes Granges-sur-Salvan, a mountain hamlet where 25 of the bodies were found Wednesday, also ques-tioned whether all 48 members of the Solar Tradition had chosen to die, particularly since at least five children were among the dead.

"You can't expect childreo to want to kill themselves," he said at a news con-

By Rick Atkinson

WITTENBERGE, Germany - Wben

rielmut Kohl hlows into yet another cam-

paign raily these days, he doesn't so much stroll as sail. Homely blue raincoat flap-

ping about him, a fair wind at his back, the German chancellor tacks through the fes-tive crowd hefore berthing himself at the podium to deliver another vote-for-me

stem-winder on peace and prosperity.

Germans have seen and heard it all a

thousand times in Mr. Kohl's long political career. Yet they still listen attentively. For

ference. "For me, it is oot suicide if death is ordered or applied by the leader of the group. So I cannot exclude the possibili-ty that a good number of them were murdered."

Mr. Geiger said 15 of the victims in Granges had been found lying oo beds or in rows on the floor and had not struggled for their lives. "They obviously absorbed drugs of some kind," he went on. The question is whether this toxic substance was applied voluntarily or invol-

untarily."

The Swiss police, meanwhile, began looking for Luc Jouret, the 46-year-old, Belgian-born homeopathic physician who founded the sect in the 1980. They said he was not among the 23 victims at Cheiry or among the 15 bodies so far identified here in Granges. But they conceded that his could be among 10 bodies taken from a fire-ravaged chalet here that were hurned beyond recognition. He was reportedly seen here a few hours before the tragedy.

Both here and at Cheiry, 160 kilometers (100 miles) to the north, the intentions apparently for all the bodies to be

was apparently for all the bodies to be destroyed by fire. But the fire at Cheiry did not reach the area where the 23 sect members were found, while it only destroyed two of three chalets at Granges where fires were set.

Fire fighters, who found 25 bodies in two chalets here Wednesday, searched

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A man who was released in a major prisoner-of-war exchange greeting his brothers at dawn on Thursday in Sarajevo.

Peace Moves Threatened by Killing of 20 **Bosnian Serbs**

'Sarajevo a Tinderbox,' Government Troops Blamed for Massacre

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service
SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina —
Troops of the Muslim-dominated Bosnian
Army killed and mutilated 20 Bosnian
Serbs military people just outside the demilitarized zone near Sarajevo on Thursday, raising tensions in the Bosnian capital
and prompting a stiff protest from United and prompting a stiff protest from United Nations officials. Yasushi Akashi, the senior United Na-

tion official in the former Yugoslavia, said

tion official in the former Yugoslavia, said the incident took place early Wednesday morning on Mount Igman, southwest of the capital, and involved the killing of 16 men, all soldiers, and 4 women. The women were apparently military nurses.

"In all probability, Bosnian government forces may be implicated," Mr. Akashi said, noting that Bosnian soldiers have been seen moving in large numbers through the demilitarized zone in recent days.

days.
[Bosnian Serbs said Thursday that the killing could ignite the Sarajevo area, Reuters reported from Pale, Bosnia.

ters reported from Pale, Bosnia.

[The Bosnian Serbs' Romania Corps, which surrounds the UN-protected capital, said in a statement: "This criminal act by the Muslim side has made Sarajevo a tinderbox that can ignite the whole area."]

The demilitarized zone on Mount Igman, a highly strategic area overlooking the Sarajevo airport, was established in August 1993 after Bosnian Serb forces captured the area and were then forced to

captured the area and were then forced to move by a NATO ultimatum. The hrutal killing on Thursday under-

scored the fact that massacres have been committed by all sides in the Bosnian war and that, even as it expresses its outrage at the Bosnian Serb encirclement of Sarajevo the Bosnian government is apparently prepared to engage in attacks of provocation:

The killing of the Serbs came at a highly embarrassing moment for Mr. Akashi. He had just spent several hours Wednesday in in Pale, the self-styled capital of the Bosni-an Serbs, conducting difficult negotiations that succeeded in securiog an opening of the Sarajevo airport.

The airport was closed for two weeks by Bosnian Serb threats to incoming aircraft. The threats were combined with a demand airfield be established. Mr. Akashi rejected this demand.

On Thursday, a single aircraft arrived at the airfield to take Mr. Akashi to Zagreb. Further flights are planned for Friday, but it was unclear how the killing of the Bosni-

an Serb soldiers might affect these plans. Intense movement of Bosnian government forces in the area south of the capital had been noted by UN military observers over the past week. Some believe that an offensive on the Trnovo area, aimed eventually at linking Sarajevo with the eastern enclave of Gorazde, may be immineot.

The Mount Igman area is particularly See SERBS, Page 6

Israel to Reconsider a Law

By Clyde Haberman New York Times Service

as a Jew in Israel.

"I wish to pray here in the Holy Land." said Mr. Lunkhel, who arrived pur. Here, we can."

is their nightmare. The problem for Mr. Lunkhel, and for

56 other Indians from the northeastern states of Manipur and Mizoram who turned up in August, is that virtually no one in Israel recognizes them as Jewish rahhinical leaders.

rahhi who traces supposed remnants of the 10 lost tribes of Israel, exiled by the Assyrians 2,700 years ago. Their ostensihle connection to Judaism lies in assertions that they are descendants of the tribe of Manasseh.

Jerusalem, studying Hebrew and reli-gious customs that are unknown to them

so that they can convert formally to

Judaism in a manner acceptable to the

War leader still in power, having leng outlasted Ronald Reagan and Margaret

chief rabhinate. But their arrival touched off Israeli alarms about whether the gates had been opened to potentially millions of foreigners with similar assertions of being children of lost tribes. Fears were stoked by scare headlines about how 300 million such migrants were poised to surge in from the Third World.

And though the news articles were dismissed by critics as not only wildly exaggerated hut perhaps also racist, they set off a continuing public debate on what for Israelis is an existential question: Has the time come to amend or even repeal the Law of Return, which gives all Jews, with few exceptions, and specified non-Jews an automatic right to relocate here?

The law was enacted in 1950, two years after Israel came into being, and is a bedrock of modern Zionism. But some leading figures in the Zionist establishment warn that if they do not close what they call legal loopholes, Israel may be swamped by immigrants with dubious ties to Judaism, and find its Jewisb cbaracter in peril.

Supposed members of lost tribes, while attention-grabhing, are the least of See JEWS, Page 7

At 64, Mr. Kohl has tried with considerhad enough of Helmut Kohl, whether after able success to make this election a refer-12 years of his leadership the country can endum on his place in history as the chanimagine itself without him.

If Mr. Kohl wins a fourth term on Oct. cellor who reunified Germany, showed the Russians the door and cemented the coun-16 - and the odds look a bit better than try's role as an equal partner in transeven — be will eclipse Konrad Adenauer Atlantic and pan-European alliances. Inas the longest-serving German chancellor since World War II. Once President Fran-cois Mitterrand leaves office next spring. Mr. Kohl will be the only remaining Cold dividual issues have been subordinated to

larger question: Mr. Kohl, yes or no? His campaign is a shameless cult of personality. The \$26 million advertising budget of his Christian Democratic Union-stresses one theme — Mr. Kohl — to the virtual exclusion of all others. A recent

Is Kohl Sinkable? Maybe, but for Now He's on a Steady Course

campaign poster contains no text, just a color photograph of Mr. Kohl surrounded

hy adoring supporters.

That a portly, hopelessly untelegenic politician from a bygone era remains hot enough to carry his party to power again is a testament both to Mr. Kohl's political prowess and his complicated relationship with Germany.

The chancellor has fashioned a career

out of being underestimated. Early in this campaign, he was pronounced dead once again hy pundits: The newsmagazine Der Spiegel ran a cover story last December on

"The End of the Kohl Era," and the newspaper Die Zeit announced, "We are watching the beginning of the end." Yet once again, Mr. Kohl has stormed

back. His popularity jumped from as much as 15 percentage points behind his Social Democratic challenger, Rudolf Scharping. earlier this year to 11 points ahead in some polls. His re-election is by no means a sure thing; volatile variables such as the strength of the reformed Communists and the weakness of Mr. Kohl's Free Democrat

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JERUSALEM - In the knitted varmulke and prayer shawl that he brought from his home in India, Haokhothang Lunkhei says that all he wants is to live

this summer from Manipur state on India's border with Burma and went almost immediately to a trailer in the West Bank settlement of Kiryat Arba. "We can't do all the commandments in Mani-He is doing no more than chasing the

Zionist dream, be says. For many Israelis, though, his dream

-certainly not the government and not They were hrought by an Orthodox

Israelis are skeptical, to put it mildly. Nonetheless, the Indians were allowed in, and now they live in Kiryat Arba and

Immigrant Boom Prompts | Rivals' Parting Shot at Clinton's Agenda

By Helen Dewar Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Senate Republicans blocked legislation on Thursday to tighten controls on lohbyists in angry Democrats denounced as an effort to keep Congress from cleaning its own bouse so the Republicans can inherit the wreckage.

Efforts were under way late Thursday to find a way out of the impasse. But the bill's sponsors said there was only the slimmest chance of reviving this last remnant of President Bill Clinton's reform agenda as Congress prepares to adjourn for the Nov.

8 elections.

Kiosk

Ferry Co-Owner

To Quit Business

STOCKHOLM (Reuters) — The Swedish co-owner of the ferry Esto-nia, which sank with the loss of 910

lives last week, said Thursday it would

A statement from the Nordstrom &

Thulin AB shipping company quoted the managing director. Ronald Berg-man, as saying: "We have concluded

that we cannot carry on conducting

passenger ferry operations to Esto-

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Bridge

quit the passenger ferry husiness.

'It seems a Republican-led filihuster has killed the toughest lobhying and gift ban law that Congress has been able to consider in decades," said Senator Carl Levin, Democrat of Michigan, a sponsor of the bill to tighten registration rules for lohhyists and ban them from giving free meals and other gifts to lawmakers.

The action on Thursday was taken less than a day after Republican representatives effectively forced the House to postpooe a vote on ratifying the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Although leaders from both parties agreed Wednesday night that the trade pact

would ultimately be approved, there was little doubt that Republicans wanted to delay the vote until after the elections to deny Mr. Clinton what has become his top remaining legislative priority this year.

Republicans, apparently anxious to avoid looking as though they wanted to continue the free meals, trips and charity golf weekends that have drawn the ire of many constituents, circulated a proposal to impose the gift han by changing Senate

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Suspicions of CIA Tie to Haiti Militia Chief

New York Times Service PORT-AU-PRINCE, Hairi - The sudden transformation of the leader of Haiti's paramilitary gummen into a U.S.-sponsored spokesman for democracy has stunned many Haitians and stirred specu-lation in the diplomatic community about American intelligence ties to the forces that ousted the country's elected president,

the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide. "Are the American Emhassy and FRAPH strolling hand-in-hand?" asked a

front-page headline Wednesday morning in Le Nouvelliste, the country's most independent newspaper, using the acronym of the paramilitary force the military set up to support its rule. FRAPH stands for Front for the Advancement and Progress of Hai-

U.S. soldiers this week raided the group's offices in Port-au-Prince, rounding up the gunmen who had broken up prodemocracy marches with gunfire and beatings. The American commander, Lieutenant General Hugh Shelton, pledged

Monday to "take down" the shadowy atta-ches, as the civilian gunmen are called, saying hluntly, "We call them thugs."

By Tuesday afternoon, U.S. soldiers held down a barbed wire security perimeter as Emmanuel (Toto) Constant, the leader of the Front, spoke at a news conference arranged by the U.S. Embassy, calling on Haitians to "put down their tires, their stones, their guns."

Members of Father Aristide's staff said

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Sex in America: Not So Wild and Crazy

By Tamar Lewin New York Times Service

NEW YORK - While the common image of sex in America is one of extramarital affairs, casual sex and rampant experimentation, a sweeping new study of American sexual practices - widely described as the most accurate ever - paints a much more subdued picture of marital fidelity, few partners and less exotic sexual

We have had the myth that everybody

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was out there having lots of sex of all kinds," said John H. Gagnon, an author of the study and a sociology professor at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. "That's had two consequences. It has enraged the conservatives. And it has created great anxiety and unhappiness among those who weren't having it, who thought, 'If I'm not getting any, I must be a defective person.'

in the new study, based on surveys of 3,432 men and women aged 18 to 59, 85

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percent of married women and more than 75 percent of married men said they had been faithful to their spouses. And married people, on average, have more sex than their single counterparts: 41 percent of all married couples have sex twice a week or more, compared with 23 percent of the But those who are cohabiting have the

most sex of all, with 56 percent reporting that they had sex twice a week or more. For an American man, the median number of sexual partners over a lifetime is six; for a woman, the median is two.

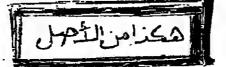
Among the other findings: · More than half the men said they thought about sex every day, or several times a day, compared with only 19 percent of the women.

 More than four in five Americans had only one sexual partner, or no partner, in the last year. Generally, blacks reported the most sexual partners, Asians the few-

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DEMOCRACY IN TAIWAN — Opposition lawmakers storming the speaker's platform on Thursday to protest a proposed measure. Angry lawmakers covered the mouth of Deputy Speaker Wang Chin-ping, third from right.



park on the outskirts of Vilnius, until recently a popular spot for picnics, is tered. yielding one of the KGB's most grue-

mains of more than 500 people in the but memories had faded during desandy brown soil of Tuskulenai Park, cades of Soviet rule. After Lithuania and they are uncovering more each won its independence in 1990, the day. They work behind a discreet KGB agents here departed hastily. fence, while children play tennis on the They left behind a trove of files, and

This park was a secret execution and them. burial ground in the crushing of one of the Cold War's hotter campaigns, the publicized here, and some of the his-Lithuanian partisan rebellion of the torical memories it awakens are likely late 1940s. The victims were shot after to be awkward. They may remind being found guilty by summary tribu- Lithuanians that heroism can be amnals of joining or supporting partisan higuous, and that glory and shame

One recent afternoon, Algimantas Files list 780 people reportedly burchance of success and vertical Remeikis, a security officer who is suited in the park. Among the bodies crushed in the early 1950s.

where the executioner's bullet had en-

Many older residents of Vilnius knew that the KGB had maintained a Investigators have found the re- private graveyard somewhere in town, Tuskulenai Park was identified from

> The excavation has not been widely sometimes mingle uncomfortably.

being arrested by the KGB.

"We know of other clandestine cemeteries, but none on this scale," Mr. lenai Park. Remeikis said. "This is a real unveiling They dis of history. It shows some things that are slipping from our memory."

Lithuania was annexed by the Sovi-

In the following years, thousands of Lithuanians fought a doomed war of

resistance against their new Soviet rulers. Some Western countries, including the United States, did not recognize the annexation, and the partisans' struggle was supported by Western intelligence agencies. But it had little chance of success and was finally

They displayed the bodies of dead partisans at village squares, then arrested passers-by who betrayed emo-tion or sympathy. And in an effort to roh the movement of its base, they sent several hundred thousand Lithuanians several hundred thousand Lithuanians Based on information from the et Union in 1940 and occupied by roh the movement of its base, they set German troops during World War II.

It was reclaimed by Moscow after the to Siberia and other distant points.

Partisans who fought against this oppression are now widely viewed as heroes, and when the digging is fin-

cause there were some among the partisans whose opposition to the Soviet dead."

of civilians from their homes and took them to killing grounds like Tusku-the world. In 1991 and 1992, the newly independent state issued thousands of official pardons to partisans who were convicted hy Soviet tribunals, only to be embarrassed by revelations that

> Based on information from the KGB files, Lithuanian prosecutors are searching for several citizens of the former Soviet Union who may have been executioners at Tuskulenai Park.

ished at Tuskulenai Park. a memorial will be erected to the memory of those found there.

But officials are already worrying what the monument should say, because the monument should say because the monument should say.

questions, and we don't know

disagreement within the admin-

istration over whether to share

the intelligence reports that the

United States does have with

nior administration official

said. "The intelligence just isn't significant enough to justify any kind of big battle."

German Official

Opposes a Rapid

NATO Expansion

BONN — Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel cautioned Thurs-

day against any quick expan-sion of the North Atlantic Trea-

ty Organization into Eastern

decision soon to admit Poland.

Hungary, the Czech Republic

say that it cannot be in the in-

terests of Central and Eastern

European states if the price for

joining the alliance would be

and Slovakia.

"The sources and methods are such that some people in the intelligence community want to

A third reason is that there is

the answers to them.

the Security Council.

Milosevic's Word?

By Elaine Sciolino

cember 1992, the United States branded President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, among oth-

ers, as a possible war criminal who should be tried for crimes

against humanity.
Since then, the man who in-

flamed Serbian nationalism and

conduct an ethnic cleansing

Now the United Nations has rewarded him for good behav-

campaign in his name has sur-

ior by lifting some of the sanctions it imposed 28 months ago,

maintaining that he has halted

the passage of war materiel to

The State Department insists

that Mr. Milosevic has not suddenly gone from being the bad guy to the good guy in Bosnia. The United States still has its

doubts that the Serbs are living

up to their pledge to stop arming the Bosnian Serbs. The

State Department spokesman,

Mike McCurry, acknowledged Wednesday that "there have

been reports that there are some goods — other than humanitar-

ian goods - that might be com-

ing over the border."
So why, for the moment at least, is the United States willing to treat Mr. Milosevic as an

authoritative head of state

vived, even thrived.

the Bosnian Serhs.

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — In De-

No Proof of Blockade Leaks

allowed paramilitary forces to withhold what we have," a se-

WORLD BRIEFS

Azerbaijan Parliament Backs **Dismissal of Prime Minister**

BAKU, Azerbaijan (Reuters) — A special session of Azerbai-jan's inner Parliament voted Thursday to confirm the dismissal of Prime Minister Surat Huseynov, accused of taking part in an

President Heydar A. Aliyev had earlier dismissed Mr. Huseynov during a top-level meeting at which participants said the prime minister had staged an uprising by rebel troops on Tuesday in Gence, the second-largest city in the former Soviet republic.

Mr. Huseynov flatly denied Mr. Aliyev's accusation that he tried to mount a coup. "I demand air time to inform the population about these events," Mr. Huseynov told the inner Parliament

before the vote. "I refuse to answer any questions, I remain prime The prime minister, who said earlier that he would not step down, left the chamber silently after the vote. He was Mr. Aliyev's only serious rival. His relations with the president have deteriorated sharply since he helped Mr. Aliyev take power last year.

Mexico to Widen Assassination Probe

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A congressman and a former federal official accused of arranging the assassination of a senior party aide may have been used by higher-ranking officials, the prosecutor in the case said Thursday,

Deputy Attorney General Mario Ruiz Massieu told the Radio Red network that neither the lawmaker nor the official "have the resources or the intelligence" to carry out the murder of his Why Does U.S. Take

resources or the intelligence" to carry out the murder of his brother, José Francisco Ruiz Massieu, the No. 2 man in the governing Institutional Revolutionary Party.

Insulted, Nasrin Cancels Paris Visit

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PARIS (AFP) - Taslima Nasrin, the Bangladeshi writer who is under a death threat from Muslim fundamentalists, has canceled a trip to France because authorities offered her

only a 24-hour visa, it was announced here Thursday.

The journalists' association Reporters Without Borders which, along with her French publisher, invited Dr. Nasrin to France — said the writer had canceled the trip because she took the daylong visa "as an insult." Dr. Nasrin, 32, sentenced to death by Islamic fundamentalists in Bangladesh, lives in

Foreign Minister Alain Juppe of France said the Interior Ministry had told his ministry that Dr. Nasrin's security could be assured only for 24 hours.

Italian Cabinet Accuses Prosecutor

ROME (Reuters) - Prime Minister Silvio Beriusconi's government said Thursday that it would file an official complaint against the chief prosecutor of Milan as it pursued its attack on Italy's

A cabinet spokesman, Giuliano Ferrara, said a report on the prosecutor, Francesco Saverio Borrelli, would be sent to President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, the nominal head of Italy's self-governing magistrates' council. Mr. Ferrara said submission of the complaint, which raised the threat of disciplinary action against Mr.

Borrelli, had been unanimously approved by the cabinet.

The decision followed a storm unleashed Wednesday, when Mr. Borrelli said investigations into Telepiu, a pay TV channel partly owned by Mr. Berlusconi's Fininvest empire, risked reaching the best of in politics and finance. Mr. Borrelli said Thursday that be did not intend to resign. "I'm not going to leave the magistrature unless I'm expelled," he said. The government report on Mr. Borrelli acquires him of trying to prevent the government.

7,000 Found in Rwanda Mass Graves

The Tutsi-installed government and UN peacekeepers hased in nearby Kihuye, on the shores of Lake Kivu, were informed of the graves by local officials traveling in the area in recent days. Some officials believe the Mabanza graves could contain as many as 10,000 bodies, said Tom Ndahiro, of the government information organization Orinfor. At least 500,000 Rwandans, mostly of the Tutsi ethnic minority, have died in ethnic bloodshed triggered by the April 6 death of President Juvénal Habyarimana, a Hutu. "To those who are pushing and demanding a rapid NATO expansion." Mr. Kinkel said, "I

back?" a senior State Depart-ment official asked. "Or is he the return of confrontation and faking it? Those are the tricky blocs in Europe." Legionnaires' Disease Surge

Traced to Liner's Hot Tubs The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Florida - An outbreak of Legionnaires' disease on a cruise ship last spring and summer has been traced to hot tubs on the ship. Health officials say lounging in the steamy water, or merely walking hy the tuhs, was enough to catch the illness.

At least 50 people are thought to have been infected on the ship Horizon during nine trips between Bermnda and New York City hetween April and July.

Doctors from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, who investigated the outhreak, said Wednesday they had tracked it to one contaminated filter that recirculated water for the ships' three spas.

Dr. Jo Hofmann, one of the investigators, said several other outbreaks of Legionnaires' disease have been linked to hot tubs, but this is the first on a cruise ship. "We have to do something about controlling the way whirlpools are maintained on ships," she said.

To track down the source, investigators questioned 3,322

passengers who had sailed on the ship. Eventually, they found 50 people who had gotten pneumonia on nine sailings. All had been in or near the ship's hot tubs. The researchers calculated that sitting in the tubs increased passengers' risk of getting Legionnaires' 17 times, and walking past the tubs increased

on Mr. Borrelli accuses him of trying to prevent the government from carrying out its functions. The offense is a crime under Italy's penal code and can carry a jail sentence of 10 years or more

Europe. His remarks, in a speech prepared for delivery to German soldiers, contradicted the position taken last week by his cahinet colleague, Defense Minister Volker Rühe, at a NATO meeting in Seville, Spain. Mr. Kinkel said the NATO defense ministers had been right when they declined in Seville to set an early deadline for deciding what former Soviet

"To have a 50-50 vote now indicates how far the party has traveled," he said, adding that transfer of war supplies from be was confident of continuous continuous transfer of war supplies from the was confident of continuous transfer of war supplies from the loc states could join the allihloc states could join the alli-ance soon. The meeting ended with a number of members, miles) west of the capital, Kigali, were believed to contain massa-

not dramatic enough for the headed by the United States, cre victims killed several months ago, said a UN military spokes-United States to pick a fight it rejecting Mr. Rühe's call for a man. Captain Stephane Grenier.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Germany to Study 'Eco-Jumbo Jet'

BONN (AP) — The German government decided Thursday to fund research for an "eco-jumbo jet" that would seat between 6. and 800 people, use 25 percent less fuel and cause less damage to the environment than prevailing jumbo jets.

The project was approved as part of a 600 million mark (\$350)

million) civil aviation research program lasting through 1998. The research and technology minister, Paul Krüger, said the program called for an equal financial contribution from private sector participants. A 24-hour strike on London's Underground rail system started

Thursday night with the rail workers' RMT union predicting total support. It was not clear how services would be affected, because about 60 percent of drivers belong to a rival union, Aslef, which accepted a 2.5 percent raise rejected by the RMT. European railroad companies want to introduce duty-free shop-ping on international lines to be able to compete with air and sea

carriers on equal terms, the head of the European Union of Railways, Etienne Schouppe, told an international congress Thursday in Berlin. The Italian air controllers' union canceled a strike on Thursday

that they had called for Friday from 7 A.M. to midnight, the Autonomous Company for Ground Assistance announced in Winter made its debut in Austria on Thursday with the closure

until spring of the Soelk mountain pass connecting the Enns and the Mur valleys in Styria state. It was the first pass of the season to be closed. Around 15 centimeters (10 inches) of snow fell over the Austria Alps during the night. Swissair will resume flights to Belgrade on Oct. 17.

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his final rally in Vienna before the general election Sunday. A poll showed his party getting 22 percent of the vote, up from 16.6 percent in 1990, and Chancellor Franz Vranitzky's Social Democrats 39 percent, down from 42.8 percent.

SIGNING UP — Jörg Haider, leader of Austria's far-right Freedom Party, autographing a supporter's sweatshirt at

Left Wing Rebukes U.K. Labor's Leader

BLACKPOOL England -Left-wing members of the op-position Labor Party inflicted an emharrassing defeat on the Labor leader, Tony Blair, on Thursday when the annual par-since 1918. Up to now, it has to replace Clause Four. ciple of widespread nationaliza-

A resolution, carried by 50.9 percent to 49.1 percent, expressed concern that Mr. Blair's

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MOSCOW - Dozens of

Russian military sites in the

Kuril Islands were destroyed hy

the earthquake that hit the re-

gion this week, officials said

Thursday, as a high-level team

was sent to assess the damage.

Thirty-four complexes hous-

ing Russian border guards.

their families and weapons

stocks were leveled in the quake

on Tuesday along with about

150 related structures, includ-

just ask the butler...

strategy placed little emphasis on achieving the objectives of Clause Four of the party constinuated that he would drop its that it was so close."

Mr. Blair pledged to overhaul said that the outcome of the party principles and signature of the party constitution of the party principles and signature of the party constitution of the party principles and signature of the party constitution of the party principles and signature of the party constitution of the party principles and signature of the party constitution of the party principles and signature of the party p been routinely endorsed as a though Labor has not advocated widespread nationalization

since the early 1980s. The vote came two days after

tution, which deals with state traditional Socialist principles. ownership of private industry. In a speech to the conference on The Marxist-style clause has Tuesday, he promised to draw been in Labor's constitution up a modern statement of aims Worried that the motion

cherished tenet of the left, al- could give the governing Conservatives ammunition to atspeedily to limit the damage.

tack Labor, Mr. Blair tried In a BBC radio interview, he

winger, said the motion would

Quake Leveled Military Sites in Kurils substantial sethack for Mr.

Blair since he won the leadership in July. Labor's national executive had pleaded with Jim Mearns, who called for the motion, not

to press for a vote. They said the party was already committed to a debate on its constitution after Mr. Blair's speech. Party officials portrayed the

debate as the start of a wideranging internal consultation before a text is put to next

draw the motion, telling the suffered injuries, most from conference: "Clause Four did not stop us winning elections in the past, and it will not stop us winning elections in the fn-

Adapting a slogan about crime associated with Mr. Blair, he added: "Let us be tough on Heavy rains and strong wind capitalism and tough on the causes of capitalism.

bosses of several big labor plies to people who had fled to unions casting block votes the hills in fear of tidal waves counted in tens of thousands in favor of the clause. Delegates from organized labor — which (AFP, AP) bow to vote. (Reuters, AP)

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ing a fuel storage depot, said quake, which registered 8.2 on the Richter scale. The quake Mikhail Borikov, a spokesman was centered about 160 kilomefor the guards. He said the damage to border guards installaters (100 miles) off the northern tions was estimated at \$34 mil-Japanese island of Hokkaido, near the Kurils. Other reports say a military President Boris N. Yeltsin, in

hospital was also destroyed. a statement expressing condolences to the victims' families, A government commission said at least 10 people had died. was to leave for the Kurils on But disaster officials said Thursday that only four deaths There were conflicting rewere now confirmed. No deaths year's conference. ports about the casualty toll were reported in Japan al-though more than 220 people from the huge undersea earth-

hroken glass or falling objects. Dozens of strong aftershocks Thursday rattled the sparsely populated Kurils, where rescue teams began setting up tent vil-5 - 1 - N - G - 4 - P - C - F - E lages for some of those whose homes had been destroyed.

hampered relief operations, but a rescue plane was able to drop warm clothing and food supthe hills in fear of tidal waves caused by aftershocks.

The quake unleashed waves up to 3 meters (10 feet) high that swamped coastal areas of the annual gatherings with inthe Kurils and hurled boats structions from their unions on onto land.

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can, I'd cream 'em." Her words carried a tone both of scorn and bravado, for with little more than a month hefore Election Day, Ms. Feinstein knows her opponent, Michael Huffington, a freshman U.S. representative, is anything but just another Republican.

Mr. Hulfington is running one of the most extraordinary campaigns in the history of American politics, powered by millions of dollars of his own personal fortune. He has used it to reassemble the campaigns of Ronald Reagan has saturated the airwaves with a series of negative, anti-government ads that have turned Ms. Feinstein one of California's most popular politicians

Mr. Huffington, meanwhile, has presented himself as the classic outsider who is not responsible for what has gone before and whose vision is of a government that does practically nothing and a

society in which charity and volunteerism flourish.

The most recent public polls showed Ms. Feinstein and Mr. Huffington in a dead heat.

has spent on the campaign would not vote for him anyway. Others, they claim, like the idea that he isn't dependent on special-interest money.

Ms. Feinstein's campaign advisers estimate that Mr. Huffington, with a personal fortune estimated at \$70 million, already has spent \$12 million for television ads and say he has reserved time on California stations between now and election day worth about \$6.5 million more. They also estimate that Mr. Huffington will spend about \$3 million on radio advertising, more than \$1 million for print advertising and perbaps \$2 million for direct mail.

Larry McCarthy, Mr. Huffington's media consul-

tant, would not confirm the estimates. "I'll let Feinstein's media huyers estimate our spending," he said.

Mr. Huffington's prodigious spending has not suppressing the black vnte in the New Jersey guherappeared to hurt him with voters. His advisers say the only people offended by the amount of money he pollster; the Reagan speechwriter Ken Khachigian; and a Reagan and Bush adman, Sig Rogich, who was recently brought in to produce a spot about Mr. Huffington and his family.

In addition to all this high-priced help. Mr. Huffington's wife, Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington, is seen as the candidate's most powerful political adviser. But she bas also become a controversial figure, under fire from critics for past ties to a religious organization called the Movement of Spiritual Inner Awareness.

Ms. Feinstein and Mr. Hulfington offer a striking contrast in philosophies,

She runs on her record and her accomplishments. After barely two years in the Senate she has much to talk about - the han on assault weapons, which she Mr. McCarthy said, however, that he would he mished relenteesly on a skeptical Congress, and a surprised if 103d Congress adjourns, presumably by the end of this week, alifornia Desert Protection Act, tween \$4 mi Since he withdrew his name from consideration for asved by a conference committee now and elevacancy on the Supreme Court this spring, most of the ingressional vote.

the answer to most problems lies not in government but in individual responsibility. His welfare-reform and now is performing for the nation?" plan stressed volunteerism.

airwaves and his political persona veers from that of the soft and tender father and husband to slashing critic of government and his opponent. His positive company was fined \$250,000 in the many to ladden the soft and the sof ads are meant to flesh out a person who remains shipping shock batons and other equipment to Indo-largely unknown to most Californians. His more nesia. numerous negative ads are designed to bring Ms. Feinstein down.

His campaign gained traction last spring when he bombarded the airwaves with an ad attacking Ms. Feinstein for voting in favor of Mr. Clinton's deficitreduction package, which he described as the biggest tax increase in history.

Ms. Feinstein claims that of 13 million taxpnyers Huffington in the final month of their ficrce campaign. Mr. McCarthy is one of the high-priced should only last a short time, I guess I do become an from that hill, with 2 million low-income workers

receiving a tax hreak and the rest seeing no change in their taxes. "It hurt me the way they presented it."

Ms. Feinstein's attacks increasingly focus on Mr.

"Do you trust somebody who walks into this Mr. Huffington has taken an anti-government state, buys a House seat, isn't snusfied with it, position. One of his earliest ads used William Ben-unperforms for his district, buys a Senate seat?" she unperforms for his district, buys a Senate seat?" she nett's "The Book of Virtues" to make the point that asked. "Or do you trust somebody who's lived here, who's put their divot hack, performed for her city

Mr. Huffington's money comes from a Texas oil Mr. Huffington is almost totally a creature of the business started by his father. His own business

> Mr. Huffington bought a house in California in 1988 but did not declare his residency there until 1991, shortly before running for a House seat, Crities say it was to avoid paying California state income

> Mr. Hullington declined a request to be interviewed, maintaining a posture of keeping his dis-tance from the media and relying almost soley on his television commercials to tell California's tuned-out electorate who he is and what he stands for.

Criticism of Minorities Stirs Illinois Furor

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Illinois - The president of the Illinois Senate has touched off an outery by criticizing state workers who are members of ethnic minorities, saying that some have a lesser work ethic than whites and cover up for

"It's probably a terrible thing to say, but I'll say it; Some of them do not have the work ethics that we have," James Philip, who is white, told the editorial board of the Daily Herald in Arlington Heights on Wednesday.

Mr. Philip, a Republican running for re-election in his heavily Republican suburban district, mentioned the case of 19 children who were living in a roach-infested Chicago apartment despite two visits by a caseworker.

"Of course, she was a minority," he said of the caseworker. "Her boss was a minority. They don't tend to squeal on their fellow minorities."

Governor Jim Edgar, a fellow Republican also running for re-election, moved to distance himself from Mr. Philip's remarks as Democrats heaped criticism on the senator. "I can tell you that the governor strongly disagrees with Senator Philip's comments," said Mr. Edgar's spokesman.

Dawn Clark Notsch, Mr. Edgar's Democratic challenger, called Mr. Philip's comment "outrageous," adding: "It is racist, it is deplorable, it is not accurate, it is very offensive, it is extremely offensive,"

(AP)

U.S. Yleids a Point on Ex-Hostage's Suit

WASHINGTON - The U.S. government has decided that it does not need to protect the privacy of the Middle Eastern terrorists who held the journalist Terry Anderson hostage for nearly seven years.

But it may still withhold some of the government files requested by Mr. Anderson on the ground that they contain ial security secrets.

Citing the Freedom of Information Act, Mr. Anderson, who was an Associated Press reporter when he was kidnapped in Beirut, asked more than a dozen federal agencies to release records about his captivity so he could write a hook about his

The Drug Enforcement Administration, the FBI and the CIA all told him that because of various privacy protections in federal law, he would have to get notarized permission from his former captors to release any files that mention them.

On Wednesday, U.S. Attorney Erie Holder, whose office is defending the government against a civil lawsuit filed by Mr. Anderson to obtain the documents, wrote the former hos-tage's lawyer that "the government will not assert exemptions to protect the privacy interests of any terrorist abduetors' who are mentioned in documents in the case.

Senator Mitchell Contemplates Nibbles

WASHINGTON — The retiring Senate majority leader, George J. Mitchell, Democrat of Maine, will be considering overtures from law tirms, colleges, corporations and national associations — as well as baseball team owners — after the

103d Congress adjourns, presumably by the end of this week.

Since he withdrew his name from consideration for a vacancy on the Supreme Court this spring, most of the



Senator George Mitchell, leaving Congress after 14 years, at his retirement dinner with President Clinton.

speculation about his future has centered on whether he will he offered the job of commissioner of major league baseball.

But there are other nibbles as well, Mr. Mitchell told reporters this week, and he will consider them all over the next few weeks. He emphasized that he had not ruled out another job in "public service," but he did not elaborate on what it

Quote/Unquote

Emperor Hirohitu to Barbara Bush during a 1982 lunch at the Imperial Palace in Japan, after Mrs. Bush, desperate for conversation, inquired if the previous palace had to be vacated because it was in poor repair: "No, I'm afraid that you

A Conviction In Killings at **Abortion Site**

The Associated Press

PENSACOLA, Florida - A former minister who shot and killed a doctor and his escort bas been convicted of violating a new federal law guaranteeing access to abortion clinics.

A federal jury deliberated just over two bours Wednesday before finding Paul J. Hill guilty of three counts of violating the law, which prohibits anyone from injuring or other-wise interfering with people en-tering abortion clinics. He was also found guilty of a federal firearm charge.
Mr. Hill showed no emotion

during the reading of the ver-dict, but after the jury left the courtroom, he smiled broadly and shook hands with his two and shook hands with his two standby attorneys. He could be A Sinking Feeling sentenced to life in prison.

Mr. Hill has said that murder is justifiable if it stops abor-tions. But he was prohibited from presenting that defense during the three-day trial.

His brief closing argument was almost identical to his opening statement: "This government is unjust because it does not protect innocent life, To the extent we take part in

Witnesses testified that Mr. Hill amhushed Dr. John B. Britton, James H. Barrett and Mr. Barrett's wife, June, with a 12gauge shotgun as the three arrived July 29 at a Pensacola abortion clinic, Mrs. Barrett was wounded.

Mr. Hill is also awaiting trial in state court Jan. 30 un murder and attempted murder charges; if convicted he could be sentenced to die in the electric

Away From Politics

 The number of Americans living below the poverty line rose to 15.1 percent of the population last year. A Census Bureau report said a total of 39.3 million Americans in 1993 lived below the poverty level, which was set nt \$14,763 for a family of four. In 1992 the nation's poverty rate was 14.8 percent.

 The Arctic peregrine falcon, once facing extinction because of pesticide exposure, has rebounded and will be removed from the U.S. government's endangered-species list next

• A U.S. foundation says it will give up to \$300,000 a year to reformers with fresh ideas for shaking up the establishment. The Stern Family Fund says the awards will go to applicants with ideas for making society work better but without the resources to put their thinking into practice. The foundation cites Ralph Nader, a crusading consumer advocate in Washington for nearly 30 years, as an example of the type of work it is willing to

The Food and Drug Administration has proposed stronger warnings, safer packaging and other measures to prevent accidental iron poisoning in children. Despite child-resistant caps, more than 110,000 cases of accidental ingestion of iron occurred hetween 1986 and 1992, leuding tn at least 33 deuths, the agency said. Part of the problem has been caused by prenatal iron products taken by pregnant women, it said.

 Seven states with more than 85 percent of the imprisoned aliens in the United States will share the first \$42.9 million in federal aid to pay for them, Attorney General Janet Reno announced California, Texas, Arizona, Flori-da and New Jersey have sued the federal government for reimbursement for their expenditures on jailing, educating or providing services for illegal aliens. They will receive a share of the money, along with Illinois and Reuters, AP, LAT

In Hollywood,

The Assertated Print

LOS ANGELES - A federal transportation official has halted a Los Angeles subway project, citing poor management and faulty construction that caused Hollywood Boulevard and its Walk of Fame to sink by nine inches (23 centimeters).

And the transit administrathis evil, we must answer to God. May God help us all." tor, Gordon J. Linton, suspended funding for the \$5.5 billion ed funding for the \$5.5 billion line to link downtown with the San Fernando Valley - until the transportation authority responded with plans to put the project in order.

Tunneling stopped Aug. 18 after a nine-block stretch of Hollywood Boulevard dropped. damaging husinesses and fareing evacuations. John Forsythe's star cracked and was removed along with those of other celehriues.

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RAVITATION Mandela to Congress: Aid World's Poor

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Assum-

ing the role of tribune for the world's poor, President Nelson Mandela of South Africa told a point meeting of Congress on Thursday that the United States and other wealthy nations must resist the lure of iso-lationism and dedicate themselves to improving the lot of all

the world's people. After spending the last two days asking the Clinton admin-istration to help his country, President Mandela had a broader message on Thursday, saying that as the world's na-tions grew closer together, rich lands needed to do more to aid

and space their domicile might
be."

Mr. Mandela, who received a Langston Hughes, T. S. Eliot their poor counterparts because

that would serve the cause of scribed a vision in which the "The new age will surely dedemocracy and peace world-masses of Africa and elsewhere mand that democracy must also

world is one stage and the ac- ty and freedom. tions of its inhabitants part of the same drama," then "each War over, it was time to move one of us as nations, including "to the positive." He urged a yourselves, should begin to de- shift to "the global creation of chude the genuine happiness of it possible for all peoples to others, bowever distant in time enjoy the right to full human and space their domicile might dignity."

five-minute standing ovation and Walt Whitman into his rewhen he entered, used his fo- marks, Mr. Mandela saw 21st rum to serve not as national century telecommunications and actions "on the creation of spokesman but as global statesmen and visionary. He dedemocracies like South Africa.

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in the Third World would not

He said that with the Cold poor." fine the national interest to in- the conditions which will make

mean a life of plenty," he said. In an address filled with po-etic passages, Mr. Mandela told the lawmakers that if "the wide effort to increase prosperi-where on our globe become available to all, so will the contrast between the rich and the

That, he said, will become a "force impelling the deprived to demand a better life from the powers that be."

Mr. Mandela said great countries like the United States and institutions such as the World Bank and International Monetary Fund and European Union had to have their policies



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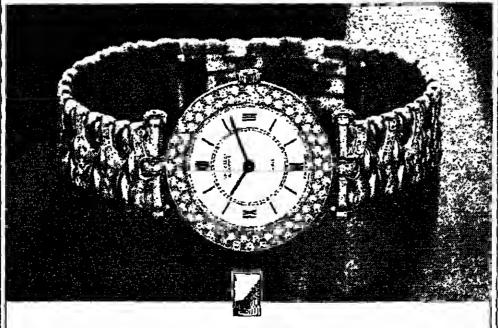
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INION

Saddam Still Has Far to Go

The continuing argument over lifting the international sanctions on Iraq, aggressor in the Gulf War, is in a new and more difficult phase, thanks in large measure to the success of the last phase. The United Nations had insisted that Iraq open up to intrusive inspection to ensure that it could not retain or acquire regionthreatening weapons of mass destruction. So now, Saddam Hussein has by common agreement gone far to meet the United Nations' terms and is demanding that sanctions be brought to an end.

There is a case against piling on new demands, and it is no less weighty for being made mostly by those countries and economic sectors that look forward to lucraffive trade with Baghdad. The case is this: If you keep "raising the goalposts" and denying rewards for good behavior, you weaken an offender's incentive to meet international standards at all.

Saddam Hussein, however, is not an ordinary regional transgressor. He is an unregenerate potential repeat offender and the leader of a once-and-future powerhouse state, who could reasonably be expected to make further trouble with the resources he would gain from the lifting of sanctions. This is the rationale for the American call to take into account, in the sanctions debate, "all the issues which comprise the true test of Iraq's peaceful intentions."

Foremost among these is recognition of the sovereignty and borders of Kuwait, the country that Iraq swallowed in 1990 and continues to call its "19th province." Not to require Iraq to make a full formal disavowal of the central claim that led it to war is to invite it to take a second bite. Fortunately, the centrality of this issue is widely accepted, as is the requirement that Iraq account for people and property it took away during its invasion.

Not so well accepted as it ought to he is the requirement to use the embargo as a lever against Iraqi repression of Shiites in the South and Kurds in the North. It would be insupportably inconsistent to allow Saddam Hussein to escape the very economic isolation he is imposing, along with harsh military measures, on two vulnerable groups of his own citizens.

Otherwise, Saddam is said to have ordered the cars cut off of hundreds of accused army deserters and draft evaders. Such punishment is not what the United Nations wrote sanctions to counter. But it reminds onlookers of the way Saddam Hussein uses power, and it unavoidably colors the atmosphere in which the issue is weighed. The wise course remains to go slow on lifting sanctions. Who will have the will, once trade resumes, to interrupt it to punish further offenses?

-- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Mexico in the Cross-Hairs

José Francisco Ruiz Massieu, the deputy leader of Mexico's governing Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, was assassinated Scot. 28 and government investigators now think anni-reform factions of the party may have been involved. Similar allegations surrounded the murder of the party's presidential candidate, Luis Donaldo Colosio, in March.

The United States has a strong interest in assuring that surviving reformers, like President-elect Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de León, do not feel intimidated about pressing for further change and that Mexican politics is not drawn further into a cycle of violence. But given Mexico's sensinivities about U.S. meddling, Washington must pursue those goals with extraordinary tact. Mr. Ruiz Massieu was a strong Ze-

dilio loyalist but he also had good relations with traditionalist PRI power hrokers hostile to reform. Had he not been murdered, he might have calmed the civil war that has been tearing the governing party apart since the late 1980s. During the transition period, Mr. Ruiz Massieu was working to line up the PRI's majority delegation in Congress behind Mr. Zedillo's reform program. After that, he probably would have

moved on to a key cahinet post.

Colosio, the shooting of Mr. Ruiz Massieu could conceivably have been linked to drug cartels, personal vendettas, PRI conspirators or some combination of the three. The leading suspects include a PRI congressman and a former federal land official. Both originally hail from the oil state of Tamaulipas, where drugs, corruption and hostility to reform are embedded in the political culture. According to the brother of one suspect, Mr. Ruiz Massieu's name had been on a hit list of

pro-reform politicians targeted for death. Though Mexico has just gone through a multi-party election, it remains essentially a one-party state. The PRI has monopolized the presidency since the victorious generals of the Mexican Revolution organized the party 65 years ago. Mexico's sharpest political struggles take place not between parties but within the PRI.

Mr. Zedillo will be Mexico's third successive president from the PRI's proreform wing. Party traditionalists feel shut out at the top and threatened at the base by reforms that undermine the old patronage machines. Mr. Zedillo cannot govern against his own party. His best hope of harnessing it lies with men like Mr. Ruiz Massieu. ff such men become targets. Mexico faces a violent and chaotie future.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

EU: In the Nordic Debate, a Clash of Nationalisms

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ample, opponents to member-

ship include conservative farm-

ers, former Communists, leftist

intellectuals, nationalists of the

far right, militant feminists and

fundamentalist Protestants: a

grotesque coalition in parlia-

mentary terms. And so party

managers prefer to let the issue

he decided in a referendum rath-

er than risk losing control over

By Max Jakobson

HELSINKI — The decision to enlarge the European Union to include Austria, Finland, Norway and Sweden has been taken by the governments concerned. but will the people follow their leaders? The Austrians have already said yes, but in the three Nordic countries, opinion remains divided and the outcome of referendums to be held in Oc-

More is at stake than the credihility of the three governments. A rejection of membership by a majority of voters in the Nordic countries would be a serious blow to EU aspirations to represent the wave of the future for all of Europe. Its democratic legitimacy, already widely questioned within the member states, would be further weakened.

tober and November uncertain.

The order of voting — Finland first on Oct. 16, Sweden next on Nov. 13, Norway last on Nov. 27 -was determined on the hasis of opinion polls indicating that the Finns were most likely to vote in favor of membership. A yes in Finland would then, it was hoped, have a domino effect in Sweden and Norway. The assumption underlining

this strategy is that geopolitical factors are likely to have a greater impact in Finland than in the other two countries. Simply put, Norway has NATO and Sweden has Finland, but Finland shares an 1,100-kilometer (700-mile) border with Russia. And the Finnish, conditioned by history. turning back, Parliaments have been partly paralyzed by the is-sue of EU membership. tend to view Russia's conversion to democracy and peaceful beft is an issue that euts across

havior with some skepticism. From distant vantage points, it is argued that the imperialist rhetoric heard from Moscow need not be taken seriously. Politicians tend to raise their voices when arguing a weak case. Russia is weak today, and it is a fallacy to imagine that Russia could become strong again by reverting to a closed command economy and an aggressive foreign policy — by methods that led to the downfall of the Soviet Union. For a long time to come, Russia will lack the

But, as a regional power, Russia retains a massive preponderance over its European neighbors, and Russia's weakness in the global context has the paradoxical effect of intensifying the security concerns of the nations living along its borders. As a consequence, many Finns view the European Union as a safe haven and are likely to vote accordingly.

strength to play an important role

in world affairs.

But the Russian scene has been relatively calm in the past few months, and recent polls indicate that support for EU membership is fluctuating in Finland, while in Sweden it is gaining ground.

Such swings in opinion illustrate the hazards of governing by referendum. Yet there is no

tary responsibility has had consequences that were hardly considered at the time the decision

to hold referendums was taken. One is the populist character of the campaign. In a parliamentary election, the opposition is always inhibited by the knowledge that success will bring with it responsibility. In a referendum, on the other band, no such constraints operate. It is a battle between the Establishment and the Common People, in which victory for the opposition would cripple the governments in pow-

er without replacing them.



This abdication of parliamen- no one can be expected to love a common market, but it seems many people are able to hate it. Those who say no to member-ship in the Union say it with passion, believing they are defending the independence and traditional way of life of their country. Supporters of membership on the whole lack a

strong emotional commitment. But it would be a mistake to dismiss opposition to the Union; as an expression of outdated nationalism. The ralentless advance of integration creates gen-uine fears of social instability. The European idea is too al-stract and distant to inspire the kind of toyalty and solidarity that is necessary for the colorion and orderly functioning of societics. Only a healthy nationalism can provide such a focus.

In the debate in the Nordic countries, both sides are in fact nationalists. The difference between them is that supporters of EU membership are optimists who believe that their country can best advance its national interest by entering the Union. while opponents are pessimists who fear that membership is bound to lead to a loss of independence and national identity.

The writer is a former Finnish ambassador to the United Nations. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

Albania's Show Trial Looks Like a Perilous Provocation of Athens

NORTH GRAFTON, Massachusetis

— The conviction of five leaders of Albania's ethnic Greek community on espionage charges in a political show trial has aggravated tensions between Greece and Albania and set in motion repercussions that could affect the entire Balkans

and even the United States, Observers from half a dozen foreign human rights groups have described the trial, which ended Sept. 7 with sentences of six to eight years in prison, as a gross violation of international standards. Alhanian opposition leaders called the trial a political maneuver.

The defendants said they were physical-

ly and psychologically tortured during detention, and during the trial they were denied the right to question the prosecution's wimesses or to present their own. A representative of Amnesty International, Bjorn Elmquist, declared that the trial was 'a staged process" that the authorities manipulated for propaganda.

And Minnesota Advocates for Human

Rights said in a report that "despite broad accusations and strong rhetoric, the prose-

By Nicholas Gage

charge." The defendants were convicted even though there was never proof that they were in any position to know government secrets, let alone pass them to Greek agents.

Why did the government try these men? They are the most vocal leaders of the civil rights organization Omonia (Greek for harmony), founded by the Greek minority in Albania. (The number of Greeks in Albania, most of them in the southern region called Northern Epirus, is put at 400,000 by Athens, 60,000 by Tirana and 280,000 by the CIA.)

These convictions (whose appeal is being considered this week) are part of a wave of persecution of Albania's Greek minority launched by the government of President Sali Berisha. Since he came to power in 1992, he has forced virtually all Greek officers out of the armed forces, has drastically reduced Greek representation in the police, judiciary and public administration, and has cut back Greek-language schools.

accusations and strong rhetoric, the prose-cution did not present direct evidence of the are intended to make ethnic Greeks in

Albania feel that they are powerless, have no hope of retaining their ethnic identity and must abandon their homes and move south to Greece.

The trial so angered the Greek govern ment that it expelled more than 70,000 illegal Albanian workers. Critics in Europe and the United States called the expulsions excessive. But Athens argues that other European countries have refused to accept Albanian workers, while Greece took in 400,000, who send home more than \$350 million a year. Why would Mr. Berisha provoke Greece and lose a major part of Albania's vital income? The most eredible explanation is that the pressure on ethnie Greeks to ahandon their homeland is the

first step in his plan to enlarge Albania. He hopes to force the Greeks out in order to secure the southern flank. Then he can encourage Alhanian enclaves in the former Yugoslavia to revolt and seek union with Albania without worrying that Greece will take advantage of the unrest to occupy Northern Epirus.

Supporting this scenario is Mr. Berisha's call for self-determination for Albanians in the Kosovo region of Serbia, and for constituent-nation status (which includes the right of secession) for the Albanian enclave in the western part of the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia.

This agenda promises to create conflict throughout the southern Balkans, eventually involving Greece and Albania's ally Turkey. These two heavily armed NATO members are regional foes; if they tangle, only American forces could separate them. As long as the ethnic Greek minority survives in Albania, it may chack Mr. Berl-

survives in Albania, it may check Mr. Berisha's ambitions, because any rebellions in the Albanian enclaves in the former Yugo-slavia would raise the risk that Greek forces would cross the border to protect fellow Greeks in Northern Epirus.

Anger raised by the trial has brought regional tensions to a boiling point. They can be reduced by persuading Mr. Berisha to stop persecuting the Greeks and to begin improving relations with Athens. The first step is to free the Greek prisoners.

Mr. Gage, who was born in Greece near the Albanian border, writes frequently on the Balkans. He contributed this comment to

Helping Zaire to Help Itself

the West are now attempting to rescue what is still there to be saved. They are offering a bit of political and economie support to the new prime minister, Leon Kengo Wa Dondo, in his improbable effort to undo the havoc wreaked by President Mobutu Sese Seko. This is how Mr. Kengo came to be in Washington this week. The Cold War took down with it U.S. readiness to make support of the corrupt Marshal Mobum the centerpiece of its anti-communism policy in Africa, and he has been boycotted for years.

A former Mobutu protégé turned reformer, Mr. Kengo has a technocrat's insider talents. With no tribal power base of his own, he has made himself plausible to many though not all the elements in Zaire's new and unproven political opposition. He operates in the sliver of democratie space opened up by Marshal Mobum under pressure from the exemplars of African democracy, especially the new South

Give the UN the Power It Needs

The Somali experience cut deep into

America's soul, making Congress jih at the

thought of American money, let alone American lives, being expended on causes not vital to America. This was the main

single cause for the unconscionable delay

in getting help to tortured Rwanda. Presi-

dent Bill Clinton has now ruled that im-

planting democracy in Haiti is vital. But

the projected sequence — an American force handing over, after a few months, to a UN force led hy America — carries ample warnings. In Somalia such a hand-

over opened the way to disaster: The Unit-

ed Nanons was pressured to take over

before it felt ready; America had not ful-

filled the conditions that the United Na-

Zaire is an African crash story, but the Inited States and some of its friends in But Mr. Kengo remains painfully beholden to his former patron. The dictator still controls the two key national institutions, the army and the central bank. Marshal Mobutu is also still using his region's rich supply of other crises, such as the war in Angola and the massacres in Rwanda, to try to freshen the stale myth of his own strategie indispensability.
His trip to renew Zaire's Western con-

tacts gives Mr. Kengo a badly needed political card to play at home. Meanwhile, Zaire's population, centrality and re-sources compel continuing attention. Even in its weakened condition and at heavy cost, it has offered refuge to many Rwan-dans. The possibility of Zaire's further deterioration into its own ethnic ferment also compels concern. Mr. Kengo pleads for a chance to show Africa and the West what new leadership can do in slowly democratizing and reconstructing a wasted land. His promise is worth encouraging.

tions thought it had promised; problems

This is so damaging that it has led

some to argue that superpowers should be excluded from peacekeeping. Made-

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of dual control plagued the venture.

- THE WASHINGTON POST. Other Comment

By Christopher Lingle

decidedly different from those of Kishore Mahhubani in his comment, "You May Not Like It, Europe, but This Asian Medicine

Could Help" (Opinion, Oct. 1). First, his metaphor of a "ring of fire" defined by political flashpoints along Europe's edges is figurative. Here in Southeast Asia, such a description is a literal real-

"Asian model" he supports.
For the past month, Singapore,
much of Malaysia and parts of
Indonesia have been choking under a thick cloud of smoke from Indonesian forest fires raging out of control. It is unthinkable that such a catastrophe in Europe would meet with such resounding reticence among government offi-

cials of the affected countries. Despite pollution levels in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur that often surpass or else hover just below the unhealthy level, the public is belatedly informed that a ministerial meeting to address this crisis will not be held until

the end of October. One has to wonder what Europeans might learn from this Asian remedy. Such inaction and refusal to comment on the internal affairs of neighbors is a defining characteristic of ASEAN, the Association of South East Asian Nations. These Asian states seem more in-

ernments to save face than in saving the lives of their eitizens or preserving the environment. The remark that "more lives are lost daily on the periphery of Europe than in the entire Asia-Pacific region" is remarkably disingenuous. The assertion is probably not true. However, there are no means for independent corroboration for what goes on in much of Asia. News that flows freely and is dis-

terested in allowing fellow gov-

in active public introspection about its consequences. In many Asian states, the media are subject to numerous restricnons and forms of censorship,

some blatant, some subtle. As a

tributed widely in Europe results

consequence. Asian citizens can receive diluted or filtered information, or remain uninformed except for self-serving government an-nouncements. This control of information allows governments to release news on their own terms, basking in their own glory while concealing their failings.

The Smoke Over Parts of Asia Obscures Some Profound Concerns

In the particular case comparing the loss of life in Europe's conflicts, there is no solid information on how many Asians lost their lives in the political struggles in such places as East Timor, Burma or Tibet.

The indifference of the regimes in this region to such outrages and crises strongly supports the perception that human life is worth little in Asia. Such a response must be seen in the context of governments based upon patriarchal, collectivist ideals

where society is placed above self. There is no tradition for promoting individual liberty or protecting individual rights. Mr. Mahbubani's reference to

the tragic carnage in Europe may be correct. However, he conve-hand for overlooking the three niently overlooks the fact that considerable numbers of lives are ruined in Asia for participating in political opposition.

Intolerant regimes in the region reveal considerable ingenuity in their methods of suppressing dis-sent. Some techniques lack finesse: crushing unarmed students with tanks, or imprisoning dissidents. Others are more subtle: relying upon a compliant judiciary to bankrupt opposition politicians, or buying out enough of the opposition to take control "democratically." Trade unionists in Europe

seldom face such pressures.

Mr. Mahbubani's elaims are strongest when he is not comparing Europe's flawed institution's to Asia's allegedly superior ones. For example, it is hard to disagree with his advice for ending Europe's agricultural subsidies. Although consistency demands that the South Korean and Japanese governments muster the political will to face down their farmers on this issue, he conspicuously refrains from offering such advice to his Asian neighbors.

One is also heartened by Mr. Mahbubani's encouragement of increased global rather than regional integration. Nonetheless, his remarks do not seem to square with the initiatives for an ASEAN free-trade area or an East Asian economic caucus. Certainly it is wrong for Turkey to be excluded from the European Union. Meanwhile, India is kept at arm's length by ASEAN.

After being called to account for

hig forces on its doorstep: Russia Africa and Islam. Mr. Mahbuhan deftly side-steps the lack of mutual response among Asians to three big forces that threaten their stability: China, overpopulation and

a rapidly decaying environment. Meanwhile, his articulate delivcry masks the shrill refrain that is increasingly commonplace among apologists of authoritarian regimes in Asia. During the Cold War, the

ASEAN states used the image of a Communist menace to great offect. They developed a coherent front that provided legitimacy to their often repressive methods. It's served an end that was applauded by the West. As a reward, developed economies provided these Asian regimes with national sequrity guarantees and generally open markets while turning a blind eye to the boot kept at the throat of their political opponents.

With the disappearance of communism as a realistic threat, some Asian regimes deflect interest from their rigid authorithrian control by pointing to the corro-sive effect on their societies from the decadent influences of the West. Yet the only certain threat associated with the introduction of liberal democracy is its weakof one-party political dominance.

The writer, senior fellow in Eu-ropean studies at the National Uni-versity of Singapore, contributed this personal comment to the Inter-national Herald Tribune.

Deep in Nevada, Nuclear Danger Lurks

leine Alhright, America's ambassador to the United Nations, argues otherwise: The United Nations is so short of money. AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts she says (failing to add that this is largely America's fault), that the stop-gap solu-- Nevada officials are making two mistakes. They are not worrying enough about radioac-nive contamination of subsurface water from underground nuclear tests. And they needlessly fear the tion is for it to empower others to do the job — but naturally a job of their own choosing. The aim should be for the Unit-

to decide where a UN-sponsored force should be deployed and have the capacity clear-waste repository. For 30 years, the United States conducted a total of nearly 1,000 underground tests in southern Nevada. First, a hole, often more than 1,000 feet (300 meters) deep, was drilled and the device lowered into it; then the hole was tamped except for cables carrying the test results to instruments on the surface; then the weapon was detonated and its performance or effects measured. Each explosion carved a cavity up to hundreds of feet in diameter at the bottom of the hole. The cavities, almost always below the water table, soon filled with water. The debris, ra-

prospective Yucca Mountain nu-

out barriers to inhihit its movement in water. The water can flow from the cavities at rates ranging from a few bundredths of an inch to 150 feet a day. The bureaus responsible for monitoring, based at the Los Alamos and Livermore weapons laboratories, have been

dioactive for thousands of years,

remains underground today with-

seriously underfunded. Early in the nuclear era, the government sponsored theoretieal studies on the fate of radioacBy Kosta Tsipis

rivity from underground tests. The studies largely concluded that it posed no significant risk to the environment. Since then, only a few incomplete measurements of radioactivity leaking from two small cavities have been made. Some confirm the theoretical predictions; others show hard-to-explain, alarmingly fast migration. In short, there has been little systematic evaluation of the degree of

aquifer contamination. In addition, the ground of the overall test zone is dotted with radioactive piles of abandoned equipment and contaminated soil from holes dug too near the caviries. All these hot spots leach radioactivity into the surface-water runoffs and contribute further to contamination of the aquifer.

While little attention is paid to the hig problem, there is unnecessarily vigorous opposition to the construction of a carefully engineered subterranean repository in Yucca Mountain, 100 miles (160 kilometers) northwest of Las Vegas. The government wants to use it to store spent fuel from commercial nuclear power reactors and even plutonium from disassembled nuclear weapons. In the 1980s, a study of the site found it safe. Foes of nuclear power forced another study, and a deep tunnel is now being dug to explore the mountain's geology pre-paratory to developing an envi-ronmental impact statement.

Designed to erect several barriers to the migration of radioacuvity, this essential repository would prevent any leakage of ra-dioactivity into the aquifer, ex-cept in case of an improbable major geological uphcaval. As for the underground-test zone, in 1993 the Energy Depart-

ment successfully opposed the re-sumption of tests that the Pentagon was demanding. Now it should request additional funds from Congress to conduct a systematic and complete examination of the fate of the leftover radioactivity in the thousand-odd cavities. If the migration of radioacrive isotopes from them proves to be

slow, fears of serious environmental contamination from the nuclear tests will be assuaged. But if the migration appears worrisome, the water supply of populated areas downstream from the test sites will have to be monitored closely.

Any threat to the public health would come from the uncontained radioactive legacy of the nuclear arms race, not from the proposed Yucca Mountain repository.

The writer directs the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's program in science and technology for internotional security. He contributed this comment to The New

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1894: Moukden Attacked SHANGHAI - Telegrams from

Moukden to-day [Oct. 6] report that thousands of Chinese soldiers have been passing through the town in wild retreat. The Japanese army is believed to have arrived there now. The Japanese are aided by 10,000 armed Coreans. The Empress Downger of China is now exercising the supreme power in the Empire.

1919: Uprising Is Foiled

NEW YORK - A committee composed of civilians and military authorities investigating the rioting at Helena, Arkansas, has reported a widespread plot of regroes for an uprising, arranged to take place to-day [Oct. 6], wherein the negroes intended to massacre the white planters and take over their plantations. The confessions of several prisoners agree in de-

tails, and consequently the authorities are redoubling their efforts to capture the ringleaders, who include whites as well as negroes.

1944: Dutch Land Grab?

LONDON — [From our New York edition:] The Dutch people. never annotationists by nature." are taking an increasingly realistic view of making permanent territy rial claims against Germany, Eel N. van Kleffens, Netherlands fela eign minister, said today [Oct. 6]. following a statement on the inun-dation of 1,000,000 acres of rich farm land, much of it purely "ma-licious" by fanatical defense engineers. The Foreign Minister's atti-tude was that if the influx of salt water over the highly productive wheat, barley and potato fields of Holland had a lasting effect, his government would be entitled to ask for an equally hountiful share of German territory.

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In California's Elections, Victory May Be in Defeat

By William Safire

clash with each other. Nowhere does that apply more than in the 1994 election campaign in California.

Jersey governor, they opened the possibility of a woman on the 1996 national neket.

But the 1992 "year of the wornan," when some women candidates won mainly on the basis of sex, is

The year of the men? Only on the surface, even if men candidates in high-visibility 🕽 : California defeat their women opponents.

having its inevitable backlash. One sign of women voters' political ma-turity is that the moment of highheeled shoo-ins has past.

In California, the only state with two women Democratic senators, Kathleen Brown found that a famous family name combined with womanhood does not a gubernato-rial candidacy make. And when she turned on Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein for having changed their minds about eapital punishment — suggesting that only she remained principled in opposition - Jerry Brown's sister turned off some women Democrats.

2. The best candidate has the worst issue. Governor Pete Wilson, who seemed to have terminal negatives a year ago, got up off the floor, roared back and now has a commanding lead. Mr. Wilson, universally described in the media as a "gritty exmarine," has a lock on law and order; another victory in California, the largest state, would give the Republicans a hot prospect to make Bill Clinton a one-term president. (Mr. Wilson has said this race would cap his career, but most Californians, like most New Yorkers, do not worry about governors using the state house

as a stepping-stone.)
The dissonance: Mr. Wilson's antiillegal-immigrant rhetoric, so helpful to his resuscitation, has led the gritty ex-marine to embrace the "Save Our State" proposition. This nativist abomination would deny education

TOS ANGELES — "Cognitive dis- to children of illegals and turn teach-L sonance" is the jangling in your ers into government informers, and head when you hold beliefs that for what - to put hard-working immigrants in costly jails?

Libertarian conservatives like me are a small segment of the voting 1. Women running as candidates public, but we have long memories are good, but candidates running as and are put off by this excessive gritwomen are bad. Both parties need to tiness. Pro-choice Pete Wilson, atget more women rinning for ever-higher positions. When Republicans elected Christie Whitman as New to Mr. Clinton, could find that riding to Mr. Clinton, could find that riding this anti-immigrant tide today could generate a powerful undertow later.

3. Business executives should

plunge into politics but a private fortune shouldn't huy a Senate seat. Michael Huffington, a one-term rep-resentative given no chance at the start to upset the experienced Senator Feinstein, has spent \$10 million in attack ads to draw even in polls but is not pulling ahead. However, Mr. Wilson's manager, George Gor-ton, says that with likely low turnout this year, a Democrat needs a fourpoint lead in the polls 10 win. The senator, a wealthy woman, is now professing to be considering mortgaging her home to raise TV money.

Democrats, on the defensive for Ms. Feinstein's tax-increase vote, are reduced to complaining about Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington's New Age spirituality. That's almost as low as Ted Kennedy's blast at his opponent's Mormonism in Massachusetts; Arianna is the

Republicans' Shirley MaeLaine.

A carpethagger charge at Mr.
Huffington, a Texan, has little resonance in a state filled with people from elsewhere. (When Robert Kennedy ran for the Senate in New York, he was accused of asking, "Where are the Bronx?" Didn't stop him.)

Plenty of dissonance here. This outcome will depend on the emergence of a "elothespin vote" for Mr. Huffington — from people willing to tolerate an activist arriviste with profound pockets and a right-winging inclination to let 'em eat cake in the hope of changing the majority in the U.S. Senate, The year of the men? Only on the

surface, even if men in high-visibility California (and Illinois) defeat women opponents. If women lose this year, they can hlame President Alhatross; in California as across the nation, more and better women candidates are in the wings.

Cognitive dissonance is a bother to partisans of individual politicians and to true believers in any ideology, but serves an ameliorating purpose: You lose a little with your winner and win a little with your loser.

The New York Times.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Disney's Park That Wasn't

Regarding the report "Disney Pocks Up Muskets At Civil War Battlefield" (Sept. 30):

Three eheers for Disney Corp.'s sensitive and sensible decision not to huild a theme park near Civil War battlefields in Virginia, Disney Corp.'s consideration of the historie and environmental concerns of the region is to be eongratulated. It also provides a model of bow a large corporation can gain the greater community's lasting appreciation and respect hy thinking beyond the immediate "hottom line."

We take issue, however, with the suggestion that a small group of landowners was able to prevent the project over the hopes of the larger community. On the contrary, in seeking signatures for a petition against the Disney project, our group (Save the Battlefield Coalition) encountered thousands of citizens of widely differing ethnic and economic backgrounds who simply did not want the beautiful Virginia countryside destroyed by massive commercial development.

MARK BRZEZINSKI, CAROLYN BRZEZINSKI.

Clink, Clang, Clanger

In "The Clank of Falsity and of Marley," William Safire hints at erroneous plagiarism by David Kendall, the Clintons' private attorney, for us-ing "clanging ring of falsity" over Mr.

and motives of countries that have several thousand of their troops there, already at too heavy a cost in

Safire's original "elank of falsity." (Language, Sept. 20). One could also say that the lawyer dropped a clunger (made a very ohvious mistake).

R. G. HART.

Dishonor for Europeans? Regarding "Following the Europe-

ans to Dishonor" (Opinion, Sept. 30); William Safire accuses France and Britain of dragging the United States down the road to dishonor hy arguing for postponement of the lifting of the arms embargo in favor Bosnian forces.

We do not know whether Paris and London talked Alija Izetbego-vic into asking President Bill Clin-ton to postpone a decision approved by Congress. Nor can we know whether it is true that the president and his administration were relieved not to take a step, the wisdom of which, according to some reliable reports, they questioned on two counts. One was whether it would have helped or hurt the Bosnians; the other was the grave risk of a severe crisis in the alliance.

To think that the lifting of the emhargo would tip the scale to the advantage of the Bosnians is a perfectly legitimate opinion, although strongly denied by the highest military authorities, on the spot and elsewhere,

Let us simply say that the policies and motives of countries that have

lives, should at least be spared the insult to their honor of noncommitted bystanders. This is reminiscent of the early months of World War II, before the fall of France, when Nazi propaganda's favorite theme was that England would fight "to

the last Frenchman. Let us beware of the danger of a sentiment settling in across Europe that, in the Balkans, the United States is ready to fuel the fight to the last Bosnian and endanger the lives of United Nations soldiers - hostages to their commitment to a humanitarian mission.

> FRANCOIS de ROSE, Former French Amhassador to NATO. Paris,

On a Singapore Arrest

Regarding "Singapore Arrests U.S. Executive in Assault Case (Sept. 19) by Philip Shenon:

The article stated that Robert Freehill's case had alarmed other American businessmen in Singapore who fear that it is part of a vendetta hy the Singapore government against the United States. It also cites businessmen and diplomats to whom the charges appeared to be an effort to punish Mr. Freehill for the actions of his son.

Mr. Freehill was charged for assault and using abusive language. The article did not include Mr. Freehill's actual words: "Why don't you teach this dog s--- to park the car?"
"All you f--ing Singaporean bastards are alike." "F--- you, f--- you people are always picking on us while men." "F---ing Singaporean Chinese Chink, bastard Chinese."

Mr. Freehill committed the offenses on three separate occasions between December 1992 and May 1994. The complainants lodged separate pidice reports. The case had nothing to do with Mr. Freehill's son or Michael Fay, In court, advised by counsel of his choice, Mr. Freehill pleaded guilty to the charges of using abusive language. He also admitted to the charges of assault, which the court took into eonsideration in sentencing him.

Mrs. Freehill claimed that she offered to make a statement in 1992, hut that a police officer had told her it was not necessary. This is untrue. Mrs. Freehill has never offered to make a statement to the police. She has repeatedly refused to cooperate, thereby hampering and delaying police investigations.

The article quoted the State Department as saying that "we expect Singaporean authorities to treat Freehill fairly and have made that view known to the government of Singapore." The Singapore government has received no representa-tions from the State Department concerning Mr. Freehill.

All persons charged with breaking the law in Singapore receive equal and fair treatment irrespective of

> Ambassador of Singapore. Washington. The Washington Post.

Snuffing Out the Smokes Of the Great and Famous

By Charles Paul Freund

WASHINGTON - The image of the bluesman Robert Johnson has been featured on a newly released U.S. stamp, with the orientent cigarette carefully removed. But Mr. Johnson's is not the first eigarette to be crased from an "official" image by a disconfited bureaucracy.

Cigarette-grasure constitutes an odd little chapter in the history of

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political totalism, although it is il-Instrative of the potential expres-siveness of smoking.

Several instances are reproduced by the French journalist Alain Jaubert in his 1986 book called, in English, "Making People Disappear," which is devoted to cases of image falsification. None of them come from political cultures we admire There is the evample of Enver Hoxha, the Stalinist dictator of A bania. He once run a cule and tobac co shop, and a photo of limit there captures him in his tumpled stawith a butt banging out of to mouth; he is revealed as less its. Maximum Leader than a harrive barman wiping glasses. The plical-was later retouched so as to reveathe wisdom and inner strength his

had always possessed, qualities that may have been obscured by the cog-

rette, which was eliminated. Mao smoked, too, although there vas a time when the Chinese image police thought that was an inconvenient fact. A 1937 shot of him a Yenan, taken well before he assumed power, captures him standing casually with a cigarette in his hand. Because, as Mr. Jauber: writes, that "did not accord with the great man's dignity," the image that later appeared in Chinese history texts omitted the eigarette. Mao's offending right arm was made to look as if he were holding it behind his back, but unfortunately the retouchers overlooked the perfectly visible shadow Mao cast: that shadow continues to smoke.

Stalin also smoked, and was smoking when photographed shak-ing hands with the German foreign minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop, after signing his pact with Hitler. Hitler, on the other hand, was an aggressive nonsmoker. When he saw the Stalin-von Ribbentrop photograph, he was furious; he thought the cigarette suined the solemnity of the occasion. Stalin's smoke was erased on Hitler's orders before the photo was released to the press.

Similar questions of image dignity have arisen in the West, although with revealingly different results. The statue of Winston Churchili that stands before the British Emhassy in Washington is a ease in point. When statue design was announced it included a cigar in the prime minister's hand; the question arose whether this was any way to commemorate a great man. The eigar had become a symbol of his doggedness and character. Churchill's statue is clutching the cigar now, presumably promoting tohac-co day and night.

Churchill's dogged cigar prohably wouldn't survive today, and neither would FDR's debonair cigarette in its long holder; they would he snuffed out in the same memory ashtray that now holds Robert Johnson's smoke.

BOOKS

CHINA WAKES: The Struggle for the Soul of a Rising Power

By Nicholas D. Kristof and Shervi WuDunn. 502 pages. \$25. Times Books.

Reviewed by Richard H. Solomon

UNTIL the late 1960s, most Americans formed their impressions of China primarily through the reporting of major journalistic personalities. Figures like the strongly anti-Communist Henry Luce and Joseph Alsop at one end of the political spectrum, and writers sympathetic to Mao Zedong's revolu-tion like Theodore White and Edgar Snow at the other end, were passionate interpreters and promoters of China's 20thcentury struggle to overcome foreign invasion and transform itself into a modern nation.

By Alan Truscott

OE SILVER, as West,

helped his team with a bril-

One would expect North-

South to hid briskly to four

hearts and perhaps make over-trieks, since West is likely to make a helpful lead in a black suit. That happened when Sil-ver's teammates were North-

South, for the opening lead was a club. South led his singleton

diamond at the second trick

and put up dummy's king when West played low. He then led a

Against Silver, as shown,

The two-heart raise by North

was mildly encouraging in the

partnership methods hut even

so South should simply have

hid four hearts. His two-spade

hid was made in the hope of reaching a miraculous slam,

and his subsequent four-club bid was more of the same. By

the time he reached four hearts,

Silver as West had been warned

against a hlack-suit lead and

jack from dummy on the assumption that the ace was on

his right. East won with the queen and shifted to a club. A

finesse of the queen lost to the king, and a club was returned to

the ace. With only one entry to the dummy, South's contract was now doomed. When be

drew trumps ending in dummy and led the spade ten. East put up the spade ace and led a dia-

chose the diamond deuce. South played the diamond

spade and made 12 tricks.

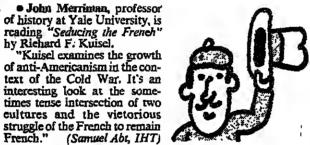
South fell into an error.

liant opening lead on the dia-

gramed deal.

reading "Seducing the French" hy Richard F. Kuisel. Kuisel examines the growth of anti-Americanism in the con-

text of the Cold War. It's an interesting look at the sometimes tense intersection of two cultures and the victorious struggle of the French to remain (Samuel Abs, IHT)



Their partisan reporting helped to impart to the Chi-nese-American relationship the dramatic swings of mood that continue to trouble Washing-

ton-Beijing relations.
Such polarized alternations in America's view of China have been intensified in the era of television. The negative images of China in its Cultural Revolu-

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Neither side was vulnerable. The

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Richard Nixon in the Great Hall of the People during his visit to Beijing in 1972. China suddenly was a nation of high culture and sophisticated diplomacy.

WHAT THEY BE BEADING

mond. South had to lose another trick for down one whether or not he ruffed.

> agriculture. Will Americans gain a more

tion chaos during the late 1960s were transformed overnight by TV coverage of Prime Minister Zhou Eulai toasting President

Then the appealing China with which the United States had normalized relations during the 1970s and 1980s was transformed, again overnight, into a threatening police state through CNN coverage of the violent suppression of peaceful protesters at Tiananmen Square

As Nicholas Kristof asserts in "China Wakes," most journalistie writing on China, in retrospect, is "an appalling record" of misinterpretations and even failure to grasp fundamental realities. He notes that Edgar Snow, who wandered through China in 1960 with official hiessing, failed to see the signs of the country's worst famine. We now know that more than 30 million peasants died as a result of Mao's Great Leap Forward policies that communized the country's

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part of Deng Xiaoping's "open-ers was scaled at Tiananmen. Wakes," which alternate with beyond official control - the China and the "bad" China that nomic takeoff?

Kristof and his Chinesewere Pulitzer Prize-winning correspondents in China for The New York Times from 1988 to 1993. Kristof says he has little affection for the Middle Kingdom. His hostility toward official harassment of foreign journalists and suppression of political dissent-

ing" policies that have pro- where he saw pro-democracy duced China's dramatic eco- demonstrators killed. demonstrators killed.

WuDunn, a third-generation Kristof and his Chinese-offspring of immigrants from American wife Sheryl WuDunn South China, has more complex views of her ancestors' homeland. Her language skills and appearance gave her intimate atcess to Chinese society, enabling her to circumvent the cificial control system designed to isolate foreign reporters from the day-to-day lives of the people. uca and by a flowering of cul-Her ebapters in "Cbina unal life and communications polarized images of the "good"

cive hirth control practices, yet is understanding of the need for population limitation. But she is heartened by the emergence of a generation of Chinese million-aires, by young entertainers able to mock party rule, by peasants willing to fight official corrup-tion, and by a flowering of cul-

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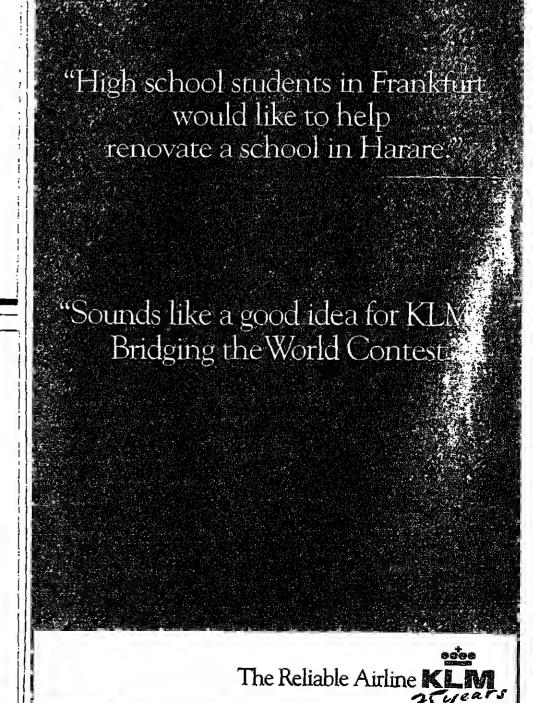
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U.S. Priority: Cut Casualties

Haiti Action Illustrates Pentagon Policy Shift

By Michael R. Gordon
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The U.S. intervention in Haiti offers a case study of a shift in the Defense Department's concept of military planning to-

ward the importance of minimizing casualties.

The military has always sought to bold down its losses, but it has nonetheless accepted casualties as the necessary price of its activities. They were built into the planning of any operation.

But with the Pentagon fearful of losing public

support for an unpopular mission, holding down

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casualties bas become not just an integral part of military planning but often a criterion for

General John M. Shalikashvili, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, acknowledged as much when he boasted that the U.S. mission in Haiti was succeeding in part because the military had suffered minimal losses.

The U.S. forces have been in Haiti for two and

"We have had two Americans hurt," the general said. "No one killed, thank God."

Even if the United States had invaded Haiti, keeping casualties to a minimum would have been a political requirement. But the unopposed deployment of troops into what is still a volatile and potentially explosive situation has made the

administration and the public that much less tolerant of casualties. The larger question, however, is whether the Americans in the hope that they can set off a

storm of criticism at home. "If you communicate that you are afraid of casualties, it is almost a certain way of inviting them, said Eliot Coben, a professor at John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. "Our opponents will very quickly figure out that is our most important vulnerable."

Charles Moskos, a military sociologist at Northwestern University, said, "The implication is that we cannot take casualties over a score anymore without serious question.

It was not always this way. During World World II and the Korean War, casualties were incidental to the completion of the mission. Vietnam changed that. Not only was the mili-

tary accused of wasting lives in an ill-advised war, but it concluded that steady U.S. casualties would lead to an erosion of public support. Then came the Gulf War, which defied even the U.S. military's most optimistic bopes for

bolding down its losses. More than a million men squared off in that lopsided conflict, but only 148 Americans were killed in action. The Gulf War produced new public expecta-tions that high-technology weapons and a welltrained volunteer military would result in low

casualties in future conflicts and belped divorce the public from the reality of war. The assumption that losses should be minimal has also inhibited the use of military force as an

instrument of national power. In Somalia, General Mohammed Farrah Aidid sought to drag out the U.S. engagement and wait for public opinion to turn against military involvement. His strategy worked. After 18 Americans died in a raid to capture General Aidid's aides, the United States pulled out.

Some current and former Pentagon officials say the message is not that the U.S. public will not tolerate high casualties but that it will do so only when it believes that the fight is important.

administration has encouraged unrealistic expectations about casualties that will tie U.S. hands in future conflicts or invite enemies to target Americans in the hope that they can set off a mount in Korea and Vietnam, much of the U.S. public wanted to increase military involvement rather than to quit.

"When we have conflicts in which the U.S. interest is not widely accepted to be important or vital, casualties can push us to become disen-gaged," said Zalmay Khalilzad, a former bead of the Pentagon's office of policy planning.

HAITI: Some Suspect CLA Links to Chief of Militia

to intercede on his behalf.

A Latin American diplomat

deeply suspicious of Father Aristide and his impoverished towns and, conversely, has had strong links to the military and

its establishment supporters.

dangerous, unstable mental they believed Mr. Constant was case and has praised Lieutenant in touch with American intelli- General Raoul Cedras, whom gence officials with whom he the U.S. troops are bere to force bad worked to persuade them out of office, as a particularly promising officer.

The CIA also poured large closely involved in the crisis amounts of money into the said of Mr. Constant: "He was army hierarchy for an anti-narburning up the wire to his cotics intelligence program, de-friends in Washington Monday spite the fact that high-ranking officers went into the drug busifn the past, the American in-ness themselves or used the protelligence community has been ceeds to finance torture or build

The Nation magazine, in an supporters from the shanty- article to be published this week, reports that Mr. Constant was urged by the Defense Intel-Bryan Littell, the CfA's chief front that could "halance" Faanalyst for the region, has de-scribed Father Aristide as a do "intelligence" against it.

"Male panda living in Taipei

would like to meet female panda

living in San Diego."

'Sounds like a good idea for KLM's

Bridging the World Contest."

The article also reports that Mr. Constant taught a course in the ill-fated CIA-sponsored drug intelligence program on "liberation theology," warning against the dangers of the popust "little church" movement of Father Aristide.

The situation once again points to the problems and contradictions facing U.S troops as they attempt to establish stability in a country split between a tiny, wealthy elite and a vast, exploited majority, a country where the only political tradi-

tion is brute force. Haitian crowds on Monday cheered ecstatically as the gun-men were rounded up and thousands followed the American convoy as they took some 30 handcuffed prisoners to their compound at the airport.

SERBS: 'A Tinderbox'

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sensitive because the one road out of Sarajevo controlled by Bosnian government forces passes through it. The road has been fired on regularly by Serbs

over the past two months. Mr. Akashi's meeting late Wednesday with the Bosnian Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic. was stormy. The UN official said the Serbs bad been angered by NATO air strikes two weeks ago, by reinforced UN sanctions against them, and by what they describe as continuous provocations from the Muslimdominated government forces in the Sarajevo area and else-

Squeezed by Serbian embar-go on them, the Bosnian Serbs are in a restive mood, determined to resist an Americanbacked peace plan, but facing a winter that appears certain to be one of great hardship. Their leader, Mr. Karadzic, has made clear that be will not besitate to pass on this hardship to the people of Sarajevo.

■ Muslim Unit Blamed

Serbian sources said that "a large Muslim sabotage unit" had attacked the Bosnian Serbian Army's Trnovo Battalion and committed the killings,

wire services reported. The Muslim attack violated the demilitarized zone that the United Nations imposed around Saraievo when the Serbs were forced to move their siege guns from around the city in February.

Mr. Akashi refused to say whether he had threatened NATO air strikes or other responses if government troops refused to vacate the demilitarized zone, but be said Bosnian leaders had promised coopera-

Serbs and Bosnian government forces did make one of their largest prisoner swaps of the war earlier on Thursday, A UN spokeswoman said 295 prisoners were exchanged. Bosnian Serbs released 166 people. and the Muslim-led government freed 129. (Reuters, AP)

Gas Kills 10 Korean Miners

Agence France-Presse SEOUL - Ten miners died when toxic carbonic acid gas filled the shaft of a coal mine in which they were working in South Korea's eastern province of Kangwon on Thursday, local press reports said.

Healer Inspired a Doomed Following

By Barry James

For most of the Solar Tradition victims, the road to a fiery death in Switzerland began in a hazy New Age subculture of astrology, macrobi-otic food, oriental mysticism and spiritualism.

Luc Jouret, the leader of the cult members, attracted followers with all the parapher-nalia of the Age of Aquarius.

"He was very gentle and sweet," said a French woman in Paris who received homeopathic treatment from him in Belgium and at Annemasse. France, just outside Geneva. "He seemed to be absolutely nonviolent."

Dr. Jouret lured many followers through an association called Arcadia International. which had branches in France. Switzerland and Canada. The association offered conferences, lectures and roundtables promising to teach "applied knowledge."

Those who wished to ascend to a higher level of "intuitive knowledge" were invited to join the Solar Tradition, a secret society whose emblem was the initials TS inside two sets of Masonic dividers, surrounded by four crosses.

Moving to fresh pastures in Canada several years ago. Dr. Jouret set up another front



The Jouret cult's symbol

organization called the Academy of Research and Knowledge of Higher Sciences. He published many books on subjects ranging from love to nutrition, ran an esoteric magazine called Excalibur and gave inspirational lectures.

The chosen few - chosen, it appears, for their money as well as their gullibility - entered the secretive world of the Solar Temple, with its pseudo-Masonic rituals and its claim to follow in the footsteps of the medieval Knights Templar.

The victims in Switzerland were not New Age hippies but well-neeled citizens. Among the 11 Canadians were the mayor of Richelieu, Quebec, and his wife, a respected Quebec City journalist and a midlevel official of the Quebec Finance Ministry.

Cult experts said that set-

into a secret inner circle is a technique often used by sects. One such group, they said, is the 1950s. the widely spread New Acropolis, which hides a paramili-tary, neo-Nazi core behind a legitimate philosophical and cultural association.

Though many saw Luc Jouret as a gentle doctor or inspired lecturer, few saw his

A 46-year-old Belgian, born in the Belgian Congo, now Zaire, he trained as a doctor at the Free University of Brussels. Later he traveled to the Philippines to learn healing methods from tribal faithhealers. He had said in a radio interview that he was "seeking a synthesis capable of bealing the whole man."

He also dabbled in the occult world of the illuminati who claimed to be reviving the traditions of the Templar Knights. The Knights, noted for their arcane and possibly blasphemous initiation rites, were banished in the 14th century, and their Grand Master was burned at the stake.

Dr. Jouret joined a rightist sect called the Reformed Or-der of the Temple, founded by a former Gestapo collabora-tor, Julien Origas. At the same

Maria In ting up an apparently inno-cent front to lure members teaching of Jacques Brever, who founded the Sovereign Order of the Solar Temple in

After the death of Origas in 1981, Dr. Jouret tried to take over the Reformed Order, but other members opposed him.

Taking some followers with him, he created Solar Tradition and several related associations, including Arcadia International, Amenta, Agata and the Hermetic Brotherhood of the Universal Tem-

Moving to Canada in the late 1980s, Dr. Jouret again took a few followers with bim.

"We had to work 15 hours a day, and then pray all night, standing up, around a can-dle, said Rose-Marie Klaus, who followed her husband to Onebec.

Canadian police built up a thick file on the activities of the Solar Tradition, which is known to be survivalist, apolyptic and obsessed with guns. ormer cuit members told the Le Soleil newspaper of a rigid-ly hierarchical organization that forced them to hand over all their money while Dr. Jouret and an associate, Joseph Di Mambro, lived in lav-ish style.

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the ruins of a third chalet that was too dangerous to enter until Thursday morning, but they

discovered no new victims. Mr. Piller said that he did not know whether Dr. Jouret was alive or dead, but he said the police were questioning some present and former sect members. He said three cars had been found that belonged to members of the cult who were "at the farm and who left a little before the drama."

Swiss experts in sect activities said that Dr. Jouret, who is known to have built up a small following in Canada, France and Martinique as well as Switzerland, seemed obsessed by

One of these experts, Jean-François Mayer, who had met Dr. Jouret, said he received three documents in the mail Thursday signed simply "Mr. Depart," which, he said, "confirmed the theory of a horrible mass suicide" resulting from the sect's intense persecution

complex. read in part: "We are leaving this earth to find in all lucidity and freedom a new dimension of truth and absolution, far from the hypocrisies and op-pression of this world, in order to achieve the seeds of our fu-ture generation. We are now free of a burden that day by day became increasingly intoler-able. Know, meanwhile, that we will continue to work through other means and other times."

Certainly, whether all the victims committed suicide or accepted death voluntarily, the deaths were well coordinated. On Tuesday, a man and a woman were found dead in a burned-out house in Ouebec owned by a prominent sect member, and the deaths in Cheiry and Granges occurred

only hours later. Supporting the notion of a collective suicide, 19 of dead at Cheiry were lying in a circle adjacent to a small chapel with their heads pointing outward, many of them wearing white, red and black ceremonial capes that identified their rank in the sect and some women dressed in long golden gowns.

■ 2 More Bodies Found

The police said Thursday est. Only 3 percent of Amerithat they had found at least two more bodies in the charred rewith the Solar Tradition. Agence France-Presse reported

from Morin Heights, Ontario. That brought to at least four the number of bodies found here and to at least 52 the total known death toll in the series of ways had an orgasm, married or four blazes in Canada and in Switzerland.

Swiss police searching the rubble of one of the burned-out chalets of Solar Tradition.

KOHL: German Chancellor Holds to a Steady Course

the end. But no one these days is talking about the end of the

What is Mr. Kohl's secret? That question has been asked relentlessly on television talk shows and in newspaper columns without anyone professing to have completely solved

Part of the answer seems to lie in Mr. Kohl's ability to be Mr. Kohl: unpretentious, predictable, extraordinarily ordinary. He has no airs. His speech is thick and inelegant, the burble of Everyman.

"He's a throwback, a dinosaur, one of the last of the great noncommunicators," Helmut Markwort, editor of Focus magazine, recently observed. "He's like a lot of his voters in the way he eats and the fact that he has gone to the same place on bolidays for the past 25 more determined. They don't love him, but they trust him."

There's much more to Mr. ernment coalition in Saxonythe attribute most prized in generals is no less true for politi-cians, and Mr. Kohl is lucky.

His dwindling popularity in the late 1980s was abruptly resuscitated by the fall of the Berlin Wall and German reunification. This time, as the campaign began, he had the good fortune to see the German economy recover from the deepest recession since World War II. Mr. Kohl has also been fortunate in drawing rather ineffectual opponents. Mr. Scharping often comes across as an icy pedant. Despite deft efforts to rein in bis party's left wing. Mr.

Moreover, the Social Demo-crats may have made a strategic error earlier this summer when they accepted tacit support years. He's one of millions, just from the Party of Democratic Socialism, the reformed Com-

Scharping seems to have made

little leeway in wooing Germany's large center-right voting

coalition partners will make this campaign a cliff-hanger to leon's observation that luck is Scharping has been on the de-

The recognition and exploitation of such opportunities are a reminder of Mr. Kohl's prodi-gious political skills.

He shrewdly maneuvered the Russians into agreeing to leave German soil four months earlier than planned, allowing the chancellor to preside over their departure as the campaign entered its home stretch.

Last fall, when the German economy was at its nadir. Mr. Kohl portrayed himself as an agent of change; now, with the economy on the mend, he is the personification of stability. Whether working the streets or an international summit meeting, be presses the flesh like an old-fashioned ward beeler. He wields power ruthlessly, rewarding friends and punishing adversaries. He comes across as someone who knows how to be

SURVEY: Americans Not So Wild and Crazy After All

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cans - most of them under age 30 - reported having five or mains of two homes connected more partners in the last year. · Three-quarters of the married women said they usually or always had an orgasm during sex, compared with 62 percent of the single women. Among men, 95 percent usually or al-

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lation pass.

participants reported having portant because it is one of the sex more than four times a week. About two-thirds said they had sex "a few times a month" or less, and about 3 in 10 had sex a few times a year or

• About one man in 4, and one woman in 10 masturbates at least once a week, and mas-turbation is less common among those aged 18 to 24 than among those aged 24 to 34. The study is considered im-

needed to end Republican dethe health care system, legislation to rewrite campaign filaying tactics and pass the bill. Another vote to rescue the lobbying bill was scheduled for Friday, theoretically the last Friday, theoretically the last not acted on the remaining "reday of the 103d Congress. But it form" bill on its agenda, which would require Congress to live was not clear whether a compromise could be reached by by the worker protection laws then. Mr. Levin and Represen-

that are imposed on others. tative John Bryant, Democrat of Texas, House sponsor of the Although the lobbying bill bill, expressed skepticism that previously passed both houses Republicans would let the legisby large margins, a House-Senate compromise barely got Republicans are pursuing a scorched earth" strategy to through the House last week after conservative talk show persuade people that Congress bosts, prompted by the House minority whip, Newt Gingrich, Republican of Georgia, genercannot reform itself so they will throw out its Democratic maated thousands of phone calls jority and turn to them, Mr.

against the measure

first to rely on a randomly selected, nationally representa-tive sample. Most previous sex studies - from the Kinsey reports in the 1940s and the Masers & Johnson study in the 1960s, to more recent popularized studies such as the Playboy report, the Shere Hite report and the Redbook report - relied on information from volunteers, a method that may seriously skew results, because those who are interested in sex. and most sexually active, tend to participate.

The survey has many important policy implications, particularly in the area of AIDS prevention. Since most people choose their sexual partners from among those who resemble them in race, religion, age and education, the authors say, AIDS is likely to remain highly concentrated within the groups that are currently most affected intravenous drug users and bomosexuals - and AIDS prevention work should focus on those groups.

In another finding, large numbers of women said they bad been forced hy men to do something sexually that they did not want to do - almost always by someone they knew -while very few men reported ever forcing a woman. The au-thors said the findings were "so stark that they cry out for a national dialogue."

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CONGRESS: Parting Shot at Clinton Political Agenda bying organizations, fell 14 Congress has shelved Mr. votes short of the two-thirds Clinton's proposal to overhaul

rules to include it. But Mr. Levin and other Democrats described this as a face-saving, balf-way step that falls short of the hill's goal of closing loopholes in existing law that allows thousands of lobhyists to escape registration and disclosure

In a counterproposal, Mr. Levin offered to change the bill to eliminate language that Republicans said could impede grass-roots lobbying activities. But Democrats said Republicans appeared cool to this ap-

The bill was blocked when the Senate, reeling under a surge of opposition prompted by conservative lawmakers, talk show bosts and grass-roots lob-

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Following Saudi Arabia Forms **Group to Counteract** Islamists' Influence

By Youssef M. Ibrahim New York Times Service

TUNIS — In a move to limit the influence of militant clerics, King Fahd of Saudi Arabia has set up a Supreme Council of Islamic Affairs directed by ranking family members and

The council will act as a sort of omhudsman of Islamie activity in educational, economic and foreign policy matters. Prince Sultan ibn Abdulaziz defense minister and a brother of the king's, is head of the

Saudis said there was little doubt that one purpose was to dilute the authority of the Ulemas Council, a highly conserva-tive group of Muslim theolo-

The Ulemas Council has considerably increased its power in recent years, seeking to push educational, social, legal and foreign policy in fundamentalist directions. The ulemas have opposed efforts to modernize the economy and have supported radical Islamists in other Arab countries.

Just before the United Nations population conference in Cairo last month, the Ulemas Council called the conference an insult to Islam and directed the Saudi government to boycott the meeting.

What the new council is meant to do is to widen the government's authority over lamic poets among those being matters of religious interpreta- held.

Top Syrian Official Meets

WASHINGTON - Another barrier between Arahs and

Jews fell when Syria's foreign minister, Farouk Shara, held his first formal meeting with U.S. Jewish leaders, according to congressional and Jewish sources, "It is the first time a Syrian foreign minister has met formally with Jewish groups in this country," a source with the World Jewish Congress said in a telephone internal country.

the World Jewish Congress said in a telephone interview after

the meeting on Wednesday.

Mr. Shara met eight Jewish leaders in Washington for a 45-

minute session after an initial discussion with six members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. The committee orga-

nized the meeting at the request of the Syrian Emhassy, the Jewish sources said.

Mr. Shara opened the meeting hy saying that President Hafez Assad of Syria had made a strategic commitment to

peace with Israel and that there was no time to waste in

getting a peace agreement signed, said Malcolm Hoenlein,

executive vice chairman of the Conference of Presidents of

He told the Jewish leaders that Syria would absolutely not

participate in a high-level conference to be held in Casahlan-

ca, Morocco, on the regional economic development of the

from war to peace." Mr. Hoenlein said, noting that Mr. Shara

and the Jewish leaders pledged to continue the dialogue.

not confrontational, but it was very intense, very candid."

"But he said Syria's first priority was to change the region

"It was a very useful meeting," Mr. Hoenlein said. "It was

8 Jewish Leaders in U.S.

non, which has been used by the ulemas to influence policy," a well-placed Saudi said by telephone.

Among the royal family members named to the council were the powerful interior min-ister, Prince Naif ibn Abdula-ziz, and the foreign minister, another hrother of the king's, Prince Saud al Faisal. Another member is Mohammed Ali Aba Khayl, a technocrat who has served for three decades as finance and economy minister.

In petitions to the king, the militant clerics have denounced The king said the goal was to "deepen Saudi Arabia's service of Islam." But knowledgeable lamic values, though the Saudi government is widely viewed as one of the more rigorous in the Muslim world.

Among other changes, the militants have demanded an end to dealings with international banks that charge interest and the severing of relations with Arab governments that are fighting fundamentalists, including close allies like Egypt.

Last week, the Saudi government arrested 110 militants, including some senior ulemas. Opposition groups in London say more than 1,000 militants have been rounded up in the past month.

A London-based Saudi opposition group, the Committee for the Defense of Legitimate Rights, said Wednesday that a new wave of arrests was under way, with professors of reli-gious affairs and militant Is-



JOHANNESBURG STRIFE - Riot police arresting a protester who was carrying a gun at a labor protest by security guards Thursday. The police exchanged gunfire with the guards, but no serious injuries were reported. The protest, and a separate strike by bus drivers who blockaded the city center with their vehicles, snarled traffic.

It's a Fact: 'Anastasia' Was a Fraud

By Rebecca J. Fowler

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — In a quiet corner of Upper Bavaria sits a tranquil cemetery once dedicated to the local nobility. There, among the remains, are the ashes of a woman laid to rest a decade ago beneath a sim-ple gravestone that bears a Russian cross and a name in Cyrillic letters — Anastasia,

After three-quarters of a century of speculation, it was only Wednesday that the memory of the Grand Duchess Anastasia, the youngest daughter of Czar Nicholas II of Russia's ill-fated royal family, was truly put to rest. The woman in the Bavarian grave, who claimed to be the surviving heir to the Romanov poor Polish farming family. throne until her death in Charlottesville, Virginia, in 1984, has been finally, unequivocally revealed as a fraud.

teams simultaneously unlocked Ekaterinburg in July 1918 to the key to her identity using massacre the Russian royal DNA tracing. A German team, led by Maurice Philip Remy, a Romanovs, the royal physician television producer, used a 43- and three servants, the soldiers year-old specimen of the blood were told to aim straight at their from the woman, who was hearts. known throughout her life as Instead, hullets ricocheted Anna Anderson. A British across the room, bouncing off team, led by the forensic scien- the crown jewels sewn into the tist Peter Gill, had a minute clothing of the princesses in sample of her intestine that was what a soldier witness later represerved in paraffin wax.

press conference in London on the rumors began. Wednesday, showed that Miss
Anderson's DNA bore no relicemen saved a young woman semblance to that of the czar from a suicide attempt in the and czarina, whose bones were freezing waters of a canal. She

discovered in 1991 with samples of their DNA still intact. was eventually admitted to a project their longing for a world mental hospital, refusing to rethat had disappeared."

Last month, the Russian government reported that after two years of study, scientists had concluded that Anastasia had indeed died in 1918 - her bones were among those of the royal family identified in 1991. a magazine with the headline

For the princes, dukes, writers and historians who had made Miss Anderson's claims their most treasured cause, the fairy tale is finally over. But her real life, as described this week. was a story as poignant as "The Princess and the Pauper." Not only has science shown who she was not, for the first time we know who she probably was most likely the daughter of a

But how could her fantasy have taken root and entranced so many for so long?

It started in the bloody after-In a fiercely hitter scientific math of the Russian Revolution race, two separate research when the Bolsheviks arrived at

called as "a shower of hail." Their results, presented at a The bodies disappeared, and

veal her identity to anyone, where the nurses finally christened her Miss Unknown.

But in 1921, while she was still a patient at the mental hosmagazine with the headline Did Anastasia Survive the Massacre?" And there was a picture of the princess, A nurse later recalled Miss Unknown's response. "She asked me if I didn't notice something about it." Anna Chemnitz said. "I answered that I didn't. She then said, 'Can't you see the similarity between us two?"

Within months, Russian exiles began to stream to the asylum to meet the lost Anastasia and brought their own memo-

the world in which Anastasia lived to impress the next," Mr. Remy said, "She was the blank

Even in the face of two serious challenges, she stood firm, Baroness Buxhoeveden, a ladyin-waiting to the royal family who had escaped Russia, visited Miss Anderson and immediately dismissed her assertions, In response, Miss Anderson claimed the haroness had betrayed the royal family and did not wish to be exposed. Then, in 1927, a young Berlin woman told a German newspaper she recognized Miss Anderson as her former roommate, Franziska Schanzkowski, a Polish

Until this week, that was all that was known of the woman who elaimed to be a princess. ries of life in the aristocracy.

"With each group of visitors she would glean information on a 1-in-300 chance that Miss Anderson was not Miss Schanzkowski, a working-class Polish Remy said. "She was the blank girl with her eye on the main screen onto which they could chance.

Coup Fears Mount In Sierra Leone Renegade Troops Hard to Curb

By Cindy Shiner
Washington Post Service
FREETOWN, Sierra Leone

thwarting this West African nation's attempts at economic and democratic reform and raising fears that renegade soldiers will overthrow the government.

The chairman of the Supreme Council of State, Captain Valentine Strasser, whose government pledged what it called a people's revolution when it seized power in April 1992, has promised elections and a transition to civilian rule by January 1996. His government has reduced inflation and stabilized the exchange rate as part of a tough structural adjustment program.

But change has also meant a the civil service, and concerns about the government's stabil-ity have diminished the privateprovide new employment.

Things have deteriorated so far in the country that many people are expecting a hig disaster," a local journalist said. Twenty-nine suspected coun-

tercoup plotters were executed eight months after the takeover.
The government claims to be fighting a rebel war that spilled over from Liberia in March 1991, when the Liberian rebel leader, Charles Taylor, financed a guerrilla invasion to destabilize the government of

then-President Joseph Saidu Momoh. He, like Captain Strasser, hacked the West African peacekeepers who prevent-ed Mr. Taylor from capturing the Liberian capital in 1990, But the war in Sierra Leone has ended, according to diplo-

mats and some government officials, and the government's toughest challenge is from its own unruly troops. Sierra Leone has become much like Liberia, where hands of armed young men kill for little more than personal material gain. Civilians have deserted huge areas of Sierra Leone's east and

southeast because of looting, highway rohbery and killings by soldiers and small bands of rebels. Some diplomats here say the lack of government accountability enables renegade soldiers to sell their weapons easily, return to Freetown and

"The government is shy in accepting that their soldiers FREETOWN. Sierra Leone may be involved in rebel activi-lndiscipline in the military is ties," said Mohammed Abubakar, the Nigerian high commissioner to Sierra Leone.

Relief workers estimate that about 300 people have been killed each month this year and that one-quarter of this former British colony's 4.4 million peo-ple are displaced. The United States feeds 1.5 million Sierra Leonians at a cost of about \$18 million a year.

It appears as if the government might be inching toward dealing with its internal problems by prosecuting a few officers. "We do believe that some renegade soldiers are destroying the confidence the nation has in our fighting forces by loss of jobs, with a reduction of the civil service, and concerns the civil service. with the enemy, and are harity have diminished the private-sector investment that was to support of their unworthy cause," Captain Strasser said at a recent news conference.

Sierra Leone had only a ceremonial army of about 1,000 acmonal army of about 1,000 active troops when rebels invaded during Major General Momoh's rule. Major General Momoh asked Nigeria, which has sub-Saharan Africa's largest army, for belp. A battalion of about 800 Nigerian soldiers arrived to protect extraction area. rived to protect strategic areas.

To boost its force, Sierra Leone conscripted unemployed young men and increased the army to between 8,000 and 12,000. Poor conditions on the war front prompted disgruntled junior officers to overthrow Major General Momoh, who had used the war as an excuse to prolong his rule.

A senior-ranking officer in the putsch, Captain Strasser automatically became "the re-deemer" and chairman of the National Provisional Ruling Council government.

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Iraq Demands End to Economic Boycott

Iraqi leaders presided over hy
President Saddam Hussein has
warned the United Nations Security Council of unspecified
consequences if it decides to maintain its crippling economic emhargo. Baghdad radio reported Thursday. The Security Council is expected to consider the issue on Monday.

Major Jewish Organizations.

Middle East, Mr. Hoenlein said.

Baghdad broadcast the warning shortly after a United Nations envoy, Rolf Ekeus, left the capital after announcing that long-awaited tests of a system to monitor Iraq's arms industry had begun. Iraq's leadership must "pre-

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Reuters pare for the study of a new BAGHDAD—A meeting of attitude that will lift the Iraqi people from their predicament," a spokesman for the governing Revolutionary Com-mand Council said on Baghdad

> Mr. Saddam Ied a joint meeting of the council and the regional leadership of his Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party to discuss the latest visit by Mr. Ekeus, the radio reported.

"Through scrutiny, it ap-peared that despite what Iraq has honored, the owners of vicious purpose — among them the Umited States and the chairman of the Special Commission

- are bent on harming Iraq," the spokesman said.

following the 1991 Gulf War perialism." and given the mandate of assuring that Iraq would no longer nounce the start of provisional commission. "We shall wait until the 10th

of this month and after that every party will bear the consequences of its stand," the Iraqi to block the monitoring operaspokesman said. He did not say nons. About 50 remote cameras what measures Baghdad had in set up at Iraq's hallistic missile

paper, Bahil, said Saturday that center in Baghdad was going on the coming two weeks would uninterrupted, he said.

course of the military, political The Special Commission was and economic confrontation created by the United Nations between Iraq and American im-

Mr. Ekeus said he would anproduce weapons of mass de-struction. Mr. Ekeus heads the monitoring in two or three days rity Council on Oct. 10 would be a step forward for Iraq.

Mr. Ekeus said he was not aware of any attempts hy Iraq production sites were working Iraq's most influential news- and work in a data processing

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JEWS: Israel Worries About a Flood of Immigrants Under Law of Return

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their concerns for now. More immediately worrisome, they say, are many of the roughly 500,000 immigrants from the former Soviet Union who have poured in since 1989, helping to swell Israel's population to 5.4

Government officials now acknowledge what they used to deny in the heady first days of the Soviet flow; that an estimated one-third of the immigrants are not the least bit Jewish.

They have been allowed in under a 1970 amendment to the Law of Return, extending immigration rights to any person with a single grandparent who was Jewish, even if the connection to Judaism ended there. That person's spouse, again even if non-Jewish, enjoys the same rights.

This three-generation standard for Jewishness was the same one used hy the Nazis, and it closed a historical circle. If someone was Jewish enough for Hitler's ovens, the reasoning went, he was also Jewish enough for Israel.

ingly prosperous country in recent years, seemingly on the

here. And as their numbers state. Those were people whose grow, the spirit of come-one, come-all no longer reigns su-

The amendment to the Law deal with a few exceptional cases, turned with time into an automatic entry ticket into Isra-el for non-Jews in numbers beyond acceptable proportion," said Uri Gordon, a senior official at the Jewish Agency, a quasi-governmental body that oversees immigration.

Fearing for "Israel's future ple "who have learned to ex-social texture," Mr. Gordon ploit what they can from the wants the amendment scrapped. Other senior officials, including Absorption Minister Yair Tzaban and Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin, also suggest, without getting too specific, that changes may be

needed at some point. This interest in tightening the rules has nothing to do with the fact that many potential immigrants are from the Third But times change.

But times change.

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Israel has become an inc

They point to Israel's enthu-

verge of peace agreements with siastic welcome of waves of gue for a flat-out repeal of the its Arab neighbors. Foreigners Ethiopian Jews in 1984 and Law of Return, saving that by who once would not give the 1991 and its absorption of doing so Israel will have an easicountry a second glance are about 25,000 Jews from India, er time deflecting Palestinian now looking for ways to resettle mostly in the early years of the claims to the same right. Jewishness was hasically not in question, a far cry from the case of Manasseh's children.

of Return, which was meant to raclis are ready now to raise the world make vague assertions of drawbridge also on people who are unquestionably Jewish.

touched off a political storm the tribes in Nigeria, Sierra Leone other day by suggesting that Is-rael could live without many of the recent Russian arrivals, who often are old or disabled and in need of social assistance - peostate," she said.

The next day many hundreds of people called a radio phonein show to say they agreed that a more selective immigration was needed.

Crities were outraged, though, some calling it an ahandonment of Zionist principles. Joining the condemnations, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rahin gave Mrs. Namir a public wristslapping. But that is unlikely to end

appeals for a more exclusive policy. Some Jews here even ar-

For them, the so-called loss tribes are at best an afterthought, albeit an exone one.

Mr. Gordon estimates that 40 More dramatically, some ls- million people around the Israelite origins — from Pash-tuns on the horder of Afghani-Labor Minister Ora Namir stan and Pakistan to various

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Images of Peace in Northern Ireland

By Rachel Billington

ELFAST — Six days after the IRA declared an unconditional cease-fire, I set off to explore Northern Ireland. Of course, I had images of war in my head. But I also knew that this once kingdom of Ulster was a beautiful land with an ancient history and that it offers images of peace. not war, of wide sandy beaches, cliff-top castles, friendly people, lakes, islands, strange medieval faces carved in stone.

I ducked the issue at the outset by heading away from Belfast up north to the nine Glens of Antim that trail down to the sea, each one ending in a little town or harbor. "Will the cease-fire hold?" I had asked the woman who handed over my rented car. She was categorical: "No. It will never end, I think they're tricking the government."

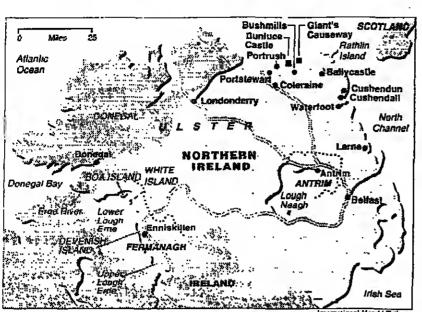
She might be right, but with hedges of crimson fuschia on one side, and the emerald sea merging into the heathery mauves of the Scottish coast on the other, my images of a battle-scarred country were already fading. Waterfoot was where I went up the mountain to watch waterfalls cascading through foresis. Cushendall was where three glens meet under a flat-topped mountain and where I discovered the romantically ruined Layde Church. Cushendun was where the whole village was architecture designed in shades of whitewasb and slate. There were no signs of war here.

Eventually, I reached Ballycastle, which lies opposite Rathlin Island where in 1306 one of England's greatest Scottish opponents. Robert the Bruce, watched the spider "try, try again" and decided to fight one last battle. He won. History is all around, but there are signs of modern conflict in this coastal area: the high security walls, barbed wire and cameras constructed to protect the Royal Ulster Constabulary's buildings from IRA bombs. "Will the cease-fire hold?" I asked in the busy little town of Bushmills and received the fervent but bardly confident reply. "We must all pray so."

Bushmills was a tourist center when

William Thackeray came in 1842 and it still is, offering tours of the Old Bushmills Distillery, with free slugs of whisky at the

But the main reason visitors come to this area is The Giant's Causeway. Unesco declared it a World Heritage Site. although Thackeray, who hated it, called it "a remnant of cbaos." Scientists de-scribe it as 37,000 black basalt columns thrown up by an explosion 60 million years ago. But I prefer the popular myth that explains that a giant who needed to visit his beloved in Scotland laid down an elegant pathway of hexagonal paving stones across the sea, Either way, you can walk on it until the waves become threatening, and then take the cliff paths and



the Heritage Society is rebuilding the

great walls to make a walkway for tour-

where you must stand, on the high walls with the Protestant cathedral, St. Co-

now entering Free Derry."

his dour response.

nitely a positive symbol.

eyed in the Caldragh graveyard.

see a side section that looks like organ harbed wire and rough boulders. Yet pipes against the cliff and chimneys when this goes alongside business as usual and pipes against the cliff and chimneys when it stands on top.

At this point my journey was all about the wondrous violence of nature, not man, f arrived at the ruins of 16thcentury Dunluce Castle a few miles west of the Causeway in a sort of thunderstorm where lightning, thunder and rain alternated with a weirdly brilliant light. So far I had not seen a soldier and encountered only one checkpoint, just outside the airport. But now I planned to visit Londonderry, as it is on the map. Derry to the Catholics. Derry is the infamous location where in 1969 British paratroopers fired into a crowd of Catholics. olic protesters and killed 14 men, six of them only 17 years old. Here, within the ancient stone walls, I found a military presence, high lookout posts, armed police, city gates blocked by the ugliness of

IEAR THIS

■ Anne Conrad-Antoville, the principal cellist of the Eureka (California) Symphony Orchestra, has resigned in protest over the symphony's plan to perform Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" and is asking local music lovers to boycott the performance. She wrote a local newspaper that "Peter" teaches children "to applaud a hunter who kills a wolf' and that wolves have survived despite "genocidal programs being waged against them and

down on the remains of two early medieval monasteries. I was taken to the island by a ferryman who was trying to decide whether to invest in a bigger covered ferry. "Now if the peace holds," he told me without me even having to ask, "I'll have more customers than I need, but at the moment I'm spending half my time mowing the grass."

On the boat ride back to Killadeas on

Lough Erne, my pick-up companion. an Englishman who works on both sides of the border gave me the most optimistically sensible summary of the situation.

The cease-fire will hold for this genera-

tion. They've had enough for now." The next day I went into Enniskillen and lunched on oysters and Guinness. This is another town whose reputation has been tarnished by an atrocity, when in 1987 the IRA planted a bomb amid a crowd gathered to honor the war dead. Now there are posters on the lamp posts: "Seize the opportunity for peace."

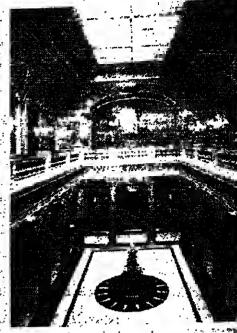
It was on the drive back to Belfast that I saw my first foot soldier patrol. There were five of them, guns at the ready, moving quickly through the small town of Kesh. "No special reason," I was told and I noted that they wore berets not helmets, a change to acknowledge the cease-fire.

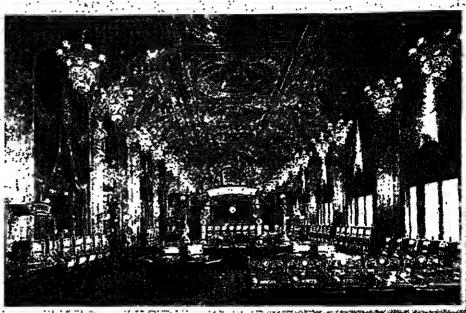
ists around the city. If you want to understand about the Bogside, that's NTIL reaching Belfast, I had seen very little to remind me of England and everything lumb's, behind you and far, far below, Bogside, where long rows of small houses gathered around their own Catholic cathedral. During the troubles in the well. But Belfast is different — at least late 60s and 70s, the inhabitants put up the center of it. With its grandiose Vicas sign that still stands today: "You are torian buildings, it is far more like the towns of northern England: Manchester Peering over the wall, I found myself or Leeds or even Edinburgh or Glasgow eye to eye with a workman, suspended in a cradle over Bogside as he painstaking- see was the battleground, the Falls Road ly repaired the heavy stones. "Will the and the Shankill Road where Catholics cease-fire hold?" I asked. "If you be- and Protestants are still divided by a lieve that, you'll believe anything" was metal wall. Will it come down soon? Will the shops take down their protec-My next destination was Fermanagh, tive boarding?

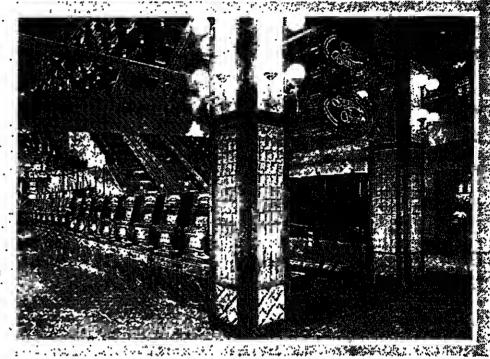
I bad wanted to see the famous murals the soft green southwestern county that is straddled by Lough Erne, with Enniskiland the very first I saw was a gigantic len standing at the narrow waist between image of the Virgin Mary. The next was the Lower Lough and the Upper, not far a political message painted since the from the border. This April the canal that joins the River Shannon in the Republic the recently bombed Sinn Fein headof Ireland to Lough Erne, reopened, defi-nitely a positive symbol. quarters. It was topped with a dove of peace and included words like "Truth. Dialogue. Unity. Respect." Around it The lakes are a paradise for fishermen small children played cheerfully. This is who set out for the day or even the week the hopeful face of the Falls Road. The on smart white launches. But I wanted to first graffiti I saw in the Protestant visit the islands and see the Celtie crosses Shankill Road area suggested in unand mysterious stone figures left in the printable terms what the IRA could do ruins of a monastic life so near the Dark with its cease-fire. The second was more Ages as sometimes to feel more pagan subile: "The people of the Shankill acthan Christian. At Boa Island I found the cept the surrender of the IRA." Soldiers strange two-faced Janus who gazes wildriding in the back of their armored cars wear belmets around here. Devenish Island has no stone faces

but a perfectly smooth 81-foot tower Rachel Billings you can climb via four ladders and look New York Times. Rachel Billington wrote this for The









Casino's Atrium, top right, and gaming rooms. Bottom, slots in the Café de Paris.

THE MOVIE GEIDE

Ladybird

Directed by Ken Loach. U. K. Maggie (Crissy Rock), abused in childhood, has drama deep in her makeup and has always been drawn to violent men. By the time she meets Jorge (Vladimir Vega), the children she had with four different men have been taken away. Gentle Jorge is determined to make a difference in her life, to give her new children. But the social system has Maggie down as an unfit mother and her new babies are wrested from her.

Ken Loach has kept to the spirit of his first films and refined his method. With screenwriter Rona Mouro, he has turned a real story into a fiction that unfolds like antique drama: Maggie is a doomed heroine. Jorge, the hero who wanted to save her. is caught up in her tragedy. The people surrounding the couple are not monsters, but a gray chorus of public servants. Crissy Rock, in her first screen role, won best ac-

tress in Berlin as Ladybird.

(Joan Dupont, IHT)

Petits Arrangements avec les Morts Directed by Pascale Ferran.

On a beach in Brittany, Vincent (Didier Sandre) is building an elaborate castle in the sand. Nine-year old Jumbo (Guillaume Charras) promises to watch over the castle. The child and the man are linked by a subterrean drama in their lives: Jumbo's best friend has died and Vincent lost his sister in childhood. After Jumbo's story is played out, the camera moves along the heach to Vincent and his family: his brother François (Charles Berling) and sisters Zaza (Catherine Ferran) and Suzanne (Sabrina Leurquin). Piece by piece, the mourning process of each family member is reassembled like a vast puzzle. Pascale Ferran has made an original and ambitious first film. Her way of

directing a superb cast says something for the Cassavetes influence on French cinema - Catherine Ferran as a Gena Rowlands character is especially fine. But there are some heavy-duty metaphors, and the narrative has a startstop-and-rewind rhythm that makes the story hard to decipher. (Joan Dupont, IHT)

The Tropical People Directed by Yojiro Takita.

Japanese abroad seem to be a specialty of Takita and the writer, Nobuyoshi Isshiki. They earlier teamed on the salaryman-in-the-jungle comedy, "We Are All Alive," and now they have some fun ripping off compatriot tour-ists in Thailand. Misa Shimizu, the harried tour guide, mislays her awful group's passports. By the time she finds them she's been fired so

she decides to sell them on the black market. Helping ber is an odd pair of swindlers, a half-Japanese bar owner and a typical Japanese student. Together they sting a couple of yakuza and get into deep trouble. All of this should be more fun than it is, but the pacing is so feeble, the gags so slow and the double-takes so prolonged that this comedy sinks to the bot-tom of the klong. And just when it looks as though — in compensation as it were -

the picture might be heading for a depiction of healthy troilism, everyone decides to settle for laughs. However, the viewer gets to see again the always appealing Misa Shimizu. She was also between two guys in "Okoge." Though these two are straight
— sort of — she knows bow to be likable and understanding and still have fun. (Donald Richie, IHT)

Monte Carlo Gambling Steps to a New Beat

By David Spanier

ONTE CARLO - After a hundred years of reverie, the sleeping princess of Monte Carlo is waking up. The casino, faded but still beautiful, is tapping its foot to a modern beat.

Saturday mights, the square is filled with a polyglot mixture of beau monde and backpackers. They have come in their thousands to pay court to the grande dame of European gambling.
For after extensive painting and primping and

refurbishment, the old casino has put on a new face. There are now four different casinos in Monte Carlo, but they are not finding it too easy to make money.

Gambling turnover, at about 1.02 billion francs (\$192 million), was 12 percent down on the year, according to the latest annual report of the SBM, as the elegantly named Societé des Bains de Mer et du Cercle des Etrangers à Monaco is known. The main difficulty in a climate of recession was the dearth of gamblers from Italy, traditionally Monaco's best market.

Who cares about the money, anyway? The return on gambling is on a par with the principality's sale of postage stamps. The decline in the spending on gambling, according to the Monegasque accounts, reduced the net profit from the SBM's principal activity of gaming and hotels to a piffling 32 million francs in 1993-94, against 90 million the previous year.

What matters, so far as tourists in Monte Carlo are concerned, is that the casino built by the architect Charles Garnier in 1878, in the ornate style of his opera house in Paris, remains one of the sweetest confections Europe has to offer. (The cupolas on the roof are modeled. legend has it, after the bosom of a famous courte-

san of the Belle Epoque.)
On one side of the main square stands the stately Hôtel de Paris, its restaurant running down a long terrace. The tables are well patronized by American ladies who exemplify the Duchess of Windsor's advice: "One can never be too rich or too thin." On the other side, the crowded tables of the Café de Paris are filled crowded tables of the Café de Paris are silled with young lovers eating ice cream.

Up the steps to the casino flows a ragbag of tourists in jeans and T-shirts. No dress code here. All the gamblers need is a 50-franc ticket and a passport. A guard scans the faces to ensure the visitors are over 21. (Many are turned away.)

The excited crowds contrast with the sumptuous setting. Such is their haste to hit the slot machines that they scarcely glance at the turn-of-the-century gilt and grandeur of the interior.

"Everyone wants to play at Monte Carlo," observes Francis Palmaro, the casino director, in an office musty with dark wood and old photographs. "We have a faithful core of old players who never desert us. But now we are attracting a new clientele. Many of our best players come from Russia as well as France and Italy."

After entering the atrium, a marbled hall of 28 Ionic columns, the gamblers cross the Salle Re-

Ionic columns, the gamblers cross the Salle Renaissance, decorated in gold and white marble, to reach the Salle Europe, lit by eight monumental chandeliers. High murals depicting wistful Pre-Raphaelite damsels — summer, winter, spring and autumn — span the walls. The croupiers call this room la cuisine — the kitchen.

Here, the paradox of Monte Carlo's casino manifests itself most sharply. Amid all the fin de siècle splendor, the gambling lacks any style or presence. In the middle of the room stand three roulette tables. They make a dim contrast with the ornate surroundings. The play is slow, the lighting faint; a table of trente et quarante, the French card game, ambles along in the corner. French card game, ambles along in the corner. Neither the players nor the croupiers seem wor-

Neither the players nor the Grouplets sectu worthy of the setting.

The atmosphere is a little brighter in the succeeding salons, open to anyone for 50 francs more. Here are blackjack and more roulette tables. Only in the so-called super-privés, where a few chosen players gather for chemin de fer, is there any sense of drame. there any sense of drama.

"Chemmy" is more than anything a game of manners because the players, most of whom are acquainted as comrades of the green baize, bet against each other, not the house. The English win or lose with a stiff upper lip, the Italians shout con brio when they hit a "natural" 8 or 9. the Orientals squ-c-e-e-ze the cards out slowly.

HE SBM's other casinos are close. A minute downhill is Loews borel, with its Sun Casino. This is a big, brightly-lit circle filled with slots, American-style. The room is open to anyone passing through. without fuss or entrance fee, a model for the kind

of straightforward, in-house garning seen increasingly in international resorts.

The third casino, in the summer months, is the solution of the seafront. The casino, as bare of decoration as an airport waiting lounge, attracts the audiences from the cabaret in the Salle destated in Etoiles below, and the go-go nightclub Jimmy'z.

Low-level roulette and blackjack is the style. An occasional cheminy game in one of the superprivés may run on until breakfast.

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Finally, in a bid to entertain the tourists who throng the sidewalk tables and give Monte Carlo its zest and color, the Cafe de Paris has a giant. slots parlor. The ambience is cheap and chearful. the players likewise. The slapdash way the place is run would make a Las Vegas professional care with embarrassment. But that is the happy More egasque way which, down the years, has mail Monte Carlo synonymous with gamhling.

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Armani's Via Glamorosa

But his venture

shows end

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ILAN - Giorgio Armani took the Via Glamorosa. He made the path from flat shoes to vertiginous heels, and from plain to pretty seem smooth enough. His diversions into decoration -bows on the jacket and rippling frills on shorts were a pleasure rather than a penance. But as the show ended with its only touch of bright color, you had to ask whether the fashion journey

That means not the little dress-es slung from bra tops. (Heav-

en knows, there are enough of those elsewhere.) Armani's strength is the soft jacket. He into dresses looks reshaped it, stroking curved forced as Milan ting a horizontal line across the breastbone.

The fashion perspective led inexorably to the bosom, but as a gentle tracing of the female form. The decade- Prada's signature bags would be equally baffling long journey from the androgynous, oversized to most women. jacket to this curving, feminized version is the

But Armani yearns to break out. Forget the jackets, the show seemed to say. Look! Dresses! They came out in layers of gauzy chiffon, often with shorts underneath, or those same divided skirts fluttered under long jackets. There were tunics in pallid organza or lingerie lace, although more convincing outlits were printed with faint flowers, like faded wallpaper.

Embossed patterns, sheer textures and whiteon-white embroideries were the way Armani enriched a palette that was drained of color, all beige and white, with an occasionally dark gray like oily smoke, and the finale of bright chinoiserie embroideries.

Armani had to find a way forward after his pantsuits (the skirts have never been up to much) had reached fashion zen. But the dresses, and especially an injection of bras and lingerie, often set the pace at so many fashion shows seemed to have got to Armani and imposed change, for its own sake.

But Armani threw a splendid post-show party in his new Palazzo Orsini — all ceiling frescoes and votive candles. Sophia Loren, revealing unstoppable legs in a tailored black Armani dress, had the last word on Milan's glamour craze. "Glamour?" she said. "I think it's a magic word - you can't define it.'

Prada's show Thursday proved that stylists rule the fashion world. Salable, wearable individual pieces — a silky sweater, a slim jacket, a narrow had been necessary.

Armani does what he does supremely well.

pieces — a sulty sweater, a sum jacket for belt — were made to seem like a manifesto for Modern Fashion. Yet who, ex-

cept the front row lineup, could understand the fashion logic of whipping thin belts round everything to give the models middleaged spread? Of enlarging their million-dollar legs with white hose? And slicing shorts across the widest part of the thighs under completely sheer dresses? Dresses made out of the nyton of

Yet fashion today is like that. A cult for the distillation of Armani's genius and the reason initiated. Prada has a point of view about mod-why he is the top-selling designer for American ern allure, with modest on-the-knee hemlines and simple, feminine dresses. Magazine editors are cheerleaders for the total look, but it has yet to prove it has a life outside the runway and photo spreads. Fendi's show did not set any fashion agenda

and — apart from striking swimsuits with cubist blocks of bright color — it seemed to offer a few thoughts from designer Karl Lagerfeld, rather than a finished collection. He played a familiar game of using an indeterminate base like bicycle shorts as a backcloth for jackets that were eut away at the front or with asymmetrie handkerchief-point hems. One was reduced to a pair of sleeves, which is not what the fashion world has been waiting for. But in its dashed-off way, the show had some strong pieces — and swimsuits to dive for.

As some of the fashion crowd moves briefly to London, before next week's Paris showings, the consensus is that the Milan shows have put too looked forced. Are those whose religion is easy clothes going to wear spindly sandals, gather up their hair and paint on lip gloss? The stylists who mainstay of Italian fashion exports.



The little dress slung from a bra, Armani's version.

The New Teen Romance

By Judith Newman New York Times Service

EW YORK - Worried that the Menendez brothers' trial, violent movies and talk-show depravity bave numbed the United States's sense of moral outrage? Worry no more. It's there.

If you have any doubts, just walk into a bookstore and request a book about modeling

"I'm sorry, we wouldn't carry anything like that, fashion industry, thank God." At Tower Books 2

clerk glared and asked pointedly: You want this book for your friend's kid? Do you like this Move over Nancy Move over Nancy Drew and Drew; make room

Cherry Ames; make room for Paige. Kerri. Paige, Cassandra, ma, Katerina, Naira and Kerri. These are the Cassandra, Pia. youthful heroines of a new series of young-adult novels, "Ford Su-permodels of the World." They may not know that takes precedence over what's in the best

sure know their way around a can of mousse. The premise of the series: Thanks to the Ford Models agency — in real life, one of the world's leading agencies — six girls have been brought together from various points on the globe to live

in a Manhattan apartment (scrupulously supervised hy a "den mother") while trying to make it in the glamorous world of modeling. Readers of the two books that have been issued so far, at \$3.99 each, can follow the 15-and 16-year-old models on their rounds as they learn about stylists, photographers and test shoots. They hang out at a coffee bar, have above-the-neck romances with age-appropriate guys and debate the finer points of makeup, hair

speaks thousands of hours well spent in the company of Ken and Barbie. Curiously absent from the early modeling experiences: drugs, smoking, anxiety about weight, bookers who expect large cash bonuses at Christmas and over-the-hill rock stars with scary haircuts. "Because young girls emulate models, we wanted to use the venue of the modeling business

and clothing with an intellectual rigor that be-

Richard Goldsmith, a former Disney executive whose company, Hollywood Ventures, brought Ford and Random House together for the series.

The books - by Christina Lowenstein, who writes for young adults under the pen name B. B. Calhoun — "are not about the modeling business per se," Goldsmith said. "They're about young girls out in the working world who are dealing with the problems all girls their age bave," he said.

bookstore and request a book about modeling geared toward prepubescent girls.

"You want what?" said a clerk at Books of 50,000, tells girls to "Just Be Yourself," a lesson Wonder, the children's bookstore in Manhattan. certain to take them far, but maybe not in the

Not surprisingly, David El-kind, a professor of child stud-ies at Tufts University and the author of "The Hurried Child: Growing Up Too Fast, Too Soon" (Addison-Wesley, 1988). sees modeling as too passive a profession for 10-year-olds to aspire to. "I see this as just another example of the need for adults to market things to kids

how to dig for clues or dress a wound, but they interest of the children," he said. "These books will probably do no more harm than kids' reading about ballerinas, another profession that very few kids will actually go into. But at least with ballet there's skills you can master."

And then there are the reactions of models themselves. As a teenager in Germany, Angela Spilker walked the runways for the likes of Claude Montana. She left the husiness after a few years, but recently returned, in her late 20s. "I love Eileen Ford," she said, "I think she's a great woman. But books like this, they're bull, Do you know how many people drop out of high school, come to Ford and don't make it?"

For her part, Eileen Ford, the doyenne of modeling agents, doesn't understand what the fuss is about. "Reading about models isn't going to make every girl in America feel she must become a model," she said. "When I was a kid I read every Nancy Drew novel I could save up the money for, and I didn't become a detective, did 1?"

In fact, the real heroine of these books is the Ford modeling agency itself. The series consis-tently gives the impression that Ford is a kind of finishing school for pretty girls, not a business that profits from them. as the basis for a new life-style property," said

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rabilia commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Voltaire.

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nuseum, tel: (50) 34-Nov. 15: "Hans Memling: Five Centuries of Reality and Fiction." 40 works by Memiling and 60 paintings, draw-ings and sculptures by his contempo-raries in Bruges. It also includes perod objects of the kind Memling

Museum voor Schona Kunsten, tel: (9) 222-1703, closed Mondays. To Nov. 27: "Meesterwerken van de Gotische Beeldhouwkunst." An over-view of the origins and development of the Late Gothle style in sculpture. The wood, stone, metal and ivory sculptures come from the Benefux countries, northern France and Ger-

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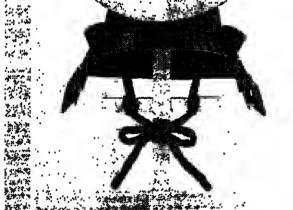
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Royal Academy of Arts, let: (71)
494-5615, open daily. To Dec. 14:
"The Giory of Venice: Art in the 18th
Century." Includes cityscapes by Canaletto, Guardi and Bellotto, genre
paintings by Tiepolo, scenes of Venetian life by Pietro Longhi and prison es by Piranesi.

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Art Gallery of Ontario, tel: (418) 977-0414, closed Tuesdays. Continuing/To Dec. 31: "From Cezanne to Matthew Grant French Political to Matisse: Great French Paintings from The Barnes Foundation." In-



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A 16th-century Japanese helmet, in Madrid; detail of "Liegender Akt" by Herbert Boeckl, in a Vienna show.

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Grand Palets, tel: 44-13-171-17, closed Tuesdays. Continuing/To Jan. 9: "Gustave Callebotte, 1848-1894." A retrospective of 89 paintings and 28 drawings by the French Impressionist painter. Calllebotte or-ganized and financed exhibitions of Impressionist paintings and left his own collection to the French state. Also, to Jan. 2: "Nicolas Poussin." More than 100 peintings and 135 drawings documenting the 17th-century French painter's artistic evolution, from his Baroque compositions to the mythological paintings and the

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Anglophobic caricatures by often anonymous French artists.

Musée du Louvre, tel: 40-20-50-50. closed Tuesdays. To Dec. 19: "D'Outre-Manche: L'Art Britannique dans les Collections Publiques Fran-caises." The evolution of British an from the end of the 16th century to 1850, through 230 paintings, engrav-ings, drawings and sculptures. Feetures engravings by Hogarth, portraits by Reynolds and Gainsborough, wa-tercolors by Bonington, landscapes by Constable and Turner. Musée d'Orsay, tel: 45-49-11-11,

closed Mondays. To Jan. 8: "Ingres, Courbet, Monet, Rodin, Gauguin: Les Oubles du Caire." 120 paintings. Cooles of Carre," 129 painings, sculptures and drawings from the Egyptian national collections, including works by Orientalist painters, sculptures by Carpeaux and Rodin, and Impressionist works. GERMANY

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Chiesa di S. Stefano degli Agostintormo a Empoli." Features works by the 16th-century Italian Mannerist painter created during his stay in the district of Empoli. It also includes paintings by other masters of the ear-16th-century, such as Andrea del

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The exhibition will travel to Yokoha-ma, Japan, Zurich, Amsterdam, New

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Protesters Go to the **Markets**

French Workers Fight Privatizing

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Hundreds of French workers invaded the Paris Bourse on Thursday, halting trading in financial futures and options, to protest the par-tial sale of the carmaker Re-nault and other privatizations.

The workers, from the General Labor Confederation, or CGT, the trade union that organized the demonstration, said they were protesting not only the sale by the government of its 49 percent stake in Renault but all privatization in France. "Renault is just the first step.

They will be privatizing the railways next," one protester said. Trading at the MATIF, the French international futures and options exchange, was brought to a standstill after the protesters entered the ex-

"The stock exchange is a highly symbolic place where thousands of jobs have heen destroyed in recent months," said Daniel Sanchez, an official of the labor federation.

The federation said it planned further protests this month, including a demonstration at the Paris Auto Show.

Separately, one-third of the work force walked out in a protest over work methods at the Japanese-owned Sharp photocopier factory at Soultz in eastern France, trade union offi-

In addition, unions representing workers at Perrier SA, the French mineral water company bought by Nestlé SA in 1992, asked the European Court on Thursday to reverse the European Commission's approval of the acquisition. The protest was organized by

the CGT, which said 1,000

(Reuters, Bloomberg)

Horning Into Hong Kong An Indonesian Lesson From First Pacific

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG — Without a long colonial history behind it, First Pacific Co. has dwelt in the shadow of Hong Kong's higgest hongs, or trading houses, during its comparatively short struggle for consistent profits and respectability.

The committee revising the benchmark Hang Seng stock index recently snuhbed the company, which is controlled by Indonesian interests. But it has gradually been transformed nevertheless into an investors' dar-

The index that First Pacific was not invited to join after five Jardine Matheson companies decided to be delisted has fallen 22 percent this year as the Hong Kong market bas foundered on nervousness about China's economy, U.S. interest rates and local property

First Pacific has had a better time of it. With strong, diversified earnings growth and a rapidly expanding telecommunications business. First Pacific stock has risen 27 percent since the beginning of the year. The stock closed Thursday at 5.35 Hong Kong dollars (70 U.S. cents), down 15 Hong Kong cents.

The company recently reported that its first-half net profit rose 81 percent, to \$64.4 million on \$1.64 billion in revenue.

"This is an 8 to 9 dollar stock," Kirk Sweeny of Lehman Brothers said. He added that First Pacific's stock price made it "the cheapest telecommunications company in

The company, started in 1981 with five em-

ployees and \$1.5 million, served as the overseas investment arm of the Salim family of Indonesia and some of its associates. But it quickly

amassed a hroad collection of holdings.

First Pacific has recently winnowed its portfolio into four main lines of husiness: banking; real estate development and management; consumer marketing and distribution; and, increasingly, telecommunications.

investors clearly understood when First Pacific bought into the Dutch marketing and distribution group Hagemeyer NV. Investments in property and consumer-product dis-tribution in Hong Kong, Thailand, Australia, Indonesia and the Philippines were also seen

But analysts said an overactive corporate development unit made a spate of other acquisitions that stretched First Pacific's assets and mystified potential investors.

"I don't make any apologies for our acquisition phase in the 1980s," said Manuel V. Pangilinan, who has been First Pacific's managing director since its start. "Without it we could never have achieved our current size. but we are actively trying to reduce the complexity of the group.

In the past two years, First Pacific has ceased making acquisitions at the holding-company level. It has been selling off noncore assets to bolster existing businesses such as Berli Jucker Co., a consumer-goods company that is listed in Bangkok, and Metro Pacific, a Philippine conglomerate.

The company plans to sell an 80 percent stake in United Savings Bank of California 10

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Scandal Shakes Taipei Bourse

Investors Bail Out After Brokers Can't Cover Checks

By Kevin Murphy nal Herald Tribune

HONG KONG - Even hy the wild and woolly standard of gamesmanship on the Taipei stock market, Thursday was a hit much.

Officials suspended the operations of two hrokerages linked to one of Taiwan's largest conglomerates, the Hualon Corp., after a check-bouncing scandal bounced out of control and four hrokerages defaulted on pay-

wan dollars (\$252 million). And, moving quickly at the

airport just after dawn, authorities detained four executives linked to the company before they boarded an early morning flight to Hong Kong. Investors acted quickly, too.

dumped shares on Taipei's stock market, where the weight-ed-price index recently hit a four-year high. It was the deepest self-off in nine months. The weighted

For a second day in a row, they

price index fell 4.19 percent Thursday and has lost 7.47 percent in the past two days. "The arrest of Hualon officials was another serious blow

to the market after it suffered the unexpected setback yesterday," Huang Yuan-li, with National Securities, told Reuters. "The market has lost all rationality now."

The head of Hualon, James Oung Ta-ming, one of the most adventurous investors on Taiwan's exchange and member of

Taiwan's legislature, has been a familiar figure in previous squabhles that have rocked the Taiwan market. He has sometimes been questioned by secu-

The Taipei market, one of the most active and volatile in Asia. had been roaring ahead on an-ticipation that the ruling Nationalist Party, facing difficult December elections, would encourage a sustained rally. But now, the hig individual

much money into the market are short of cash, Ben Chen, who heads the Taiwan opera-tions of Barclays de Zoete the firm was expected to drop Wedd, told Bloomberg Busi-businesses that have not been ness news in Taipei. The latest storm arose Tues-

day, when Hung Fu Securities defaulted on as much as 200 million dollars of checks. On Thursday, Hung Fu and Riches Securities reportedly defaulted on more, along with Feng Shan

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Kidder to Cut Staff by 10% as Losses Mount

NEW YORK - Kidder, Peahody Group Inc. said Thursday it would slash its staff by 10 percent, pare its costs by \$100 million and cut its balance sheet in an effort to stem mounting losses.

The unit of General Electric Co. unit now has about 5,000 employees worldwide. It is suffering from losses of more than \$300 million this year and a bond trading scandal that led to the departures of top officials.

Kidder plans to trim its balance sheet assets to as little as \$50 hillion by the end of the year from about \$80 hillion now. The firm had \$106 hillion of assets in March.

Kidder also will transfer its \$6.7 hillion portfolio of collat-eralized mortgage obligations to GE's financial unit, GE Cap-ital. Rising interest rates this year caused values of Kidder's holdings of those securities, which was as large as \$15.8 billion in March, to tumble, Wall Street creates collateralized mortgage ohligations by bundling home mortgages and cut-ting the hundles into bonds tai-lored to investor preferences.

The 129-year-old securities firm said it planned to reduce costs by remaining in lower Manhattan and extending its leases for 15 years, Kidder said last year it would relocate to the GE Building in Rockefeller Center in midtown Manhattan. The decision will hoost the firm's cash flow by about \$100

Kidder did not say where it would cut jobs. The company will focus on "select industries where the firm has proven leadership strengths in terms of industry knowledge, research abilities, product structures and distribution and trading strengths," said Dennis Dam-merman, chairman and chief investors that have poured so executive, and Denis Nayden, much money into the market president and chief operating officer.

> sses that have not been profitable or been central to its operations, such as foreign exchange, stock options operations and some futures husi-

Cuts of 10 percent are the biggest reduction this year at a major firm on Wall Street, where carnings have slumped with the end of a three-year

bond market rally. Salomon Inc. said Thursday that it would report a loss of \$100 million for the third quarter.

Merrill Lynch & Co., Smith Barney Inc. and CS First Boston are among the other big firms that bave cut back staff.

Regarding the bond scandal, Kidder took a \$210 million charge against earnings in the first quarter after it accused its former chief U.S. government bond trader, Joseph Jett, of inflating the firm's pretax profits hy \$350 million. Mr. Jett has

denied the allegations. Separately, a New York state judge rejected a request hy Mr. len to force arbitrators to hold an expedited hearing on his request that Kidder pay his legal fees. The judge also threw out Kidder's attempt to dismiss all of Mr. Jett's claims.

Salomon Sees Loss In Quarter

NEW YORK - Salo-mon Inc. said Thursday it expected to report an after-tax loss for the third quar-ter of about \$100 million, mainly because of losses in trading for its own account.

Salomon said its clientdriven husinesses also would post a loss, although results improved from the second quarter, after being affected by weakness in underwriting volume and customer trading activity.

In addition, the company's commodities trading business, the Phibro Division, will post a pretax loss for the quarter.

The company said it

around Oct. 20. Salomon joins British se-

curities houses Hambros PLC and S.G. Warburg and Dresdner Bank AG of Germany, which this week warned shareholders of poor earnings, mostly related to own-account trading. (Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg)

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Class War Must Not Spoil Trade Debate

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TASHINGTON - A nasty whiff of class warfare is contaminating the current American debate on trade. It has been introduced by opponents of the Uruguay Round world trade pact, who seek to brand the agreement as a conspiracy by the political and business establishment against regular working people.

Now that approval of the pact has been delayed in both houses of Congress for nearly two months, these acrimonious accusations are likely to get even

In the populist version, the heroes of the battle are average Americans strug-gling to make ends meet and protect their jobs in a rapidly changing world. The villains are foreigners out to undermine American interests, in league with a supposed "elite" inside the United States that disdains the needs and rights of the general population.

The same kind of rbetoric was heard last month on a smaller scale after local supporters of a new Disney theme park in Virginia's horse country hlamed "fat cats" and outsiders for the project's defeat - and the consequent loss of jobs. In the trade debate, the bitterness is

apparent nationwide. The White House, both major political parties and the media are accused of conniving to sell ont American sovereignty and export jobs to the Third World to swell the profits of

multinational corporations.

Just as the inhabitants of Virginia's

Prince William County thought the decision on Disney should have been theirs alone, so the more isolationist Uruguay Round opponents believe that America should assert its "rights" regardless of the rest of the world. The level of dehate has sunk pretty low.

Supporters of the pact who appear on television call-in shows are immediately bombarded with insulting telephone calls on the air and deluged with hate mail afterwards.

Some of this is the coordinated work of right-wing groups that may support

Popular concern about free trade could rise as the world economy becomes increasingly global.

former presidential candidates Ross Perot or Pat Buchanan. But it is difficult to gauge their real strength.

Not all the pact's opponents are waging class warfare. Many have genuine, if exaggerated, fears that freer trade would diminish U.S. sovereignty and threaten the environment. Some, like Senator Ernest F. Hollings, who has single-handedly held up the pact in the Senate, are unabashed, old-fashioned protectionists.

Astonishingly, there have been virtually no nationwide opinion polls on the Uruguay Round agreement since it was

concluded in Genevalast December. The polls that have been taken show wide-

spread ignorance of the subject. That ignorance is dangerous, because some pollsters believe it is easy to turn people into opponents of the pact by providing them with very little information - or in many cases misinformation.

Conscious of these cross-currents, politicians have become increasingly nervous. One reason for this week's decision to delay a vote in the House of Representatives was the reluctance of many members to commit themselves to the pact so soon before the midterm elections.

But it is likely that popular concern about freer trade will rise as the world economy becomes increasingly global,

further fostering class antagonism.

In the industrial countries, those most likely to benefit from the changes shaking the world economy, particularly the introduction of new technologies, will be the most highly educated. The losers will be the less skilled workers.

The salary gap between Americans with and without college educations, which had been closing up to 1979, suddealy turned around and widened rapidly in the 1980s.

So far, bowever, the Clinton administration has done a rotten job of calming these divisive anxieties — and of explaining the trade pact's vital importance. If the White House had played its political cards more skillfully, the pact would al-ready be ratified. Now it's even more important to disarm the wagers of class warfare before they do worse damage.

Camdessus Will Stick to His Guns on Aid

By Alan Friedman

PARIS - Four days after the Group of Seven industrialized countries firmly rejected his proposal for \$52 billion of new financial aid for developing countries, the managing direc-tor of the International Mone-tary Fund said Thursday he would press for its approval.

"I have no reason to change the proposal on the table," said Michel Camdessus, speaking in Madrid at the end of one of the most contentious IMF/World Bank annual meetings in recent years. He added that be was confident a compromise would he reached "in the coming

Mr. Camdessus' remarks rep-

for having taken a partisan position on the aid package even though he is nominally only an international hureaucrat.

was "still a feeling of cooperation that will help finalize a solution that is acceptable to all." But be added that no IMF cerning the proposal. Mr. Camdessus also took

swipe at the position beld by Germany, which has opposed his aid proposal on the grounds

gated hy officials of the United that 36 billinn SDRs would in aging outlook for world eco-States and other G-7 countries any way be an inflatinnary fac-

On Sunday, a dispute crupted at the Madrid meeting when Mr. Camdessus sided with Mr. Camdessus said there Third World countries who eventually blocked a compro-mise offer from the Group of Seven that would have been worth \$23.4 billion. The poor member was "in a position to countries, emboldened by Mr. totally impose its views" con-Camdessus' support, also killed a separate financial assistance program intended mainly for "possibly too immodest," made former Soviet-hloc states.

The feud between G-7 countries on the one band and Mr. that creating 36 hillion Special Camdessus and poorer nations bad political power despite his Drawing Rights (\$53 billion), on the other marred the 50th role as an international civil sertable IMF's artificial currency, anniversary of the IMF and vant.

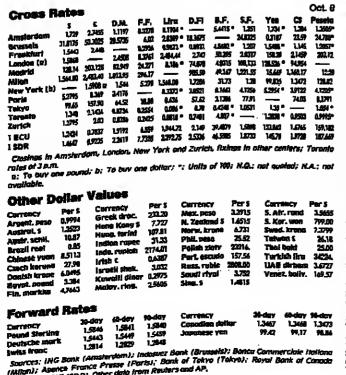
resented a remarkably defiant stance for a man who was casti-tended that "nobody believes owed discussion of the encour-

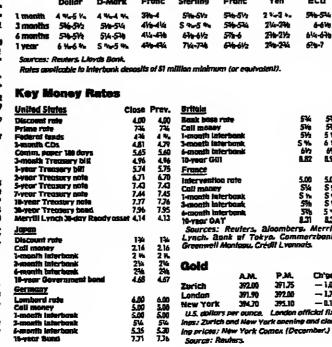
Although Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen of the United States made a point of adopting a conciliatory tone as part of a damage-control campaign this week, both U.S. and European officials of G-7 countries have been privately furious with Mr.

"possibly too immodest," made repeated references during the Madrid meetings to "my agenda" and behaved as though he

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U.S. House **Delays Vote** On Trade New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Stymied by election-year politics, leaders from both parties in the House of Representatives have decided to postpone until after the November elections a vote on legislation to allow the United States to participate in a new worldwide trade agreement.

The Senate decided last week to hold a session after the Thanksgiving holiday in late November to vote on the mea-

sure.

St. House Speaker Thomas S.

St. Foley, Democrat of Washington, said Wednesday night that the delay did not mean the measure would not ultimately be

Mr. Foley and the other Democratic leaders decided to postpone the final vote because almost all Republicans planned to vote against a resolution that would have allowed the vote



way amid concern that a report nies suffered the sharpest falls. on employment due Friday would show that the economy

U.S. Stocks

was growing too fast, raising the specter of rising inflation and higher interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 11.78 to 3.775.56. its 36¼ after rallying 4½, or 12 lowest close since 3.751.22 on percent, on Wednesday amid Aug. 22. The benchmark aver- speculation the company might age has fallen 67.63 points, or be the subject of a takeover or 1.8 percent, so far this week.

Decliners led advancers 11 to 9 while volume totaled 268.09 comment. milliee shares, down consideraon Wednesday.

to 94 28/32, while its yield re-mained steady at 7.95 percent. Shares of retailers declined

sues, stocks that are sensitive to sales

Bloomberg Business News lowest reading since July.

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks Shares of automakers, retailers fell for a fourth day on Thurs- and computer software compa-

If the report on September employment shows that the cocomy added more than the 254,000 jobs analysts generally expected, the Fed could move to rein in ecoeomic growth by raising rates a sixth time this year, analysts said.

Shares of Apple fell 1% to major investment by Motorola. Both companies declined to

Dynatech rallied 31/2 to 25 as bly from 359.60 million shares the intermediate-term rating for the electronics company was The price of the benchmark raised Thursday to "above aver-30-year Treasury bond fell 1/32 age" from "neutral" by Merrill

For a second day, the decline after companies reported slugwas led by so-called cyclical is- gisb September same-store

swings in the economy. General Motors slid 1% to 44, Internamerchandise retailers fell 0.81 tional Paper tripped 11/4 to 761/4 to 45.11, led by Wal-Mart, and J.P. Morgan & Co. fell 1 to which slumped 1/2 to 221/4. The 74. apparel retailers' index fell 4.40 The Standard & Poor's 500 to 259.45, led by TJX's drop of Index slipped 1.16 to 452.36, its 21/2 to 17/8.

Dollar Holds Steady Before Jobs Report

— The dollar edged up to 99.835 yen from 99.610, while the pound rose to \$1.5908 from 1.5855.

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Foreign Exchange

will release employment data

for September. Most dealers said they expected the jobs report to set the tone for U.S. stock and bond markets for the rest of the meeth, possibly sending clear clues on when the Federal Reserve Board will raise interest rates. That in turn will chart the course for the dollar, which weakens if foreign investors

shun U.S. assets. The bond market has been driving the dollar," said David Solin, an analyst with Foreign Exchange Analytics.

The dollar closed here at 1.5440 Deutsche marks, down from 1.5445 DM Wednesday, at 5.2780 French francs, up from 5.2750, and at 1.2800 Swiss francs, up from 1.2795.

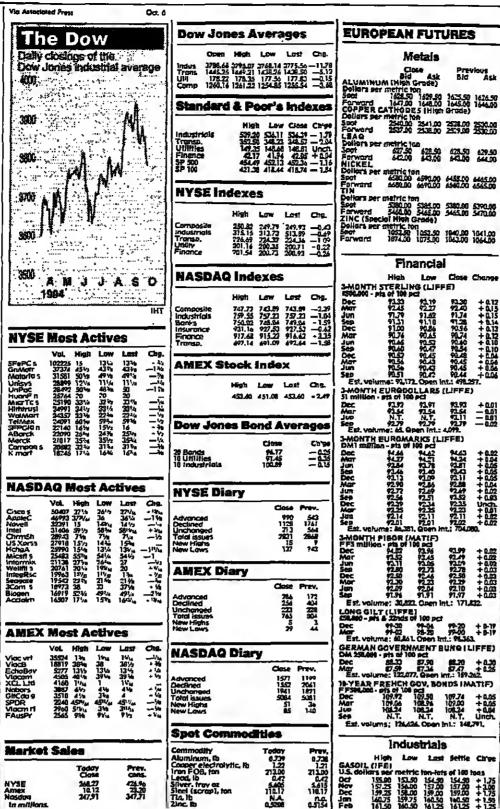
one of the most reliable gauges of economic strength. Many analysts said the Fed could be prompted to raise in-terest rates if the data show more than 250,000 new jobs created in September.

"Everything is riding on the employment report," said Amy Smith, a market strategist at IDEA, a consulting firm, "Peo-ple are concerned that the number will be strong, suggesting there's a risk of inflatioe."

While higher U.S. interest rates are generally positive for the dollar, increasing the rate of return on dollar-denominated assets, that has oot proven to be the case recently.

Instead, curreocy traders have focused on the trade rift between the United States and (Rewers,

Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg)



Drop in Debt Boosts Schneider Net

SA said Thursday net profit rose 58 percent, to 345 million French francs (\$65 million), in the first balf of 1994, after it was able to reduce the financing costs of its debt by 30

PARIS - The electrical engineering company Schneider

The company said that profit for the full year was likely to

The company said that profit for the full year was likely to show even more marked improvement.

Operating profit io the first half rose 10.4 percent, to 1.5 million francs, while sales, not including divestitures and acquisitions, rose 3.6 percent, to 27.69 billion francs.

Profit had risen 33 percent in 1993 after operating profit from industrial activities held up better than expected in a lukewarm economy.

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Claims for State Jobless Benefits Rise

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of Americans filing for state unemployment benefits for the first time rose last week, marking the first increase in five weeks, the Labor Department

Initial claims rose by a seasonally adjusted 7,000 last week, reversing a drop of 11,000 in the week ended Sept. 24. But the Labor Department said its four-week moving average of initial claims fell to the lowest level in more than five years.

Economists consider the four-week average a more reliable gauge of hiring trends than the volatile weekly number. The Labor Department is set to report employment data for September on

Sluggish Sales Dog U.S. Chain Stores
NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — U.S. chain stores on Thursday reported lackluster sales for September as a wave of warm weather discouraged shoppers from stocking up on winter clothing and back-to-school items.

September sales generally have a big impact on third-quarter earnings because they are retailers' main opportunity to sell fall goods before markdowns that usually sweep the industry in

October. The September results offered further evidence that the economic recovery is an unusual one, featuring finicky consumers who may be buying lots of automobiles but are reluctant to spend for clothing and other basic items, retail analysts said.

Burlington Resources Earnings Drop

HOUSTON (Bloomberg) — Burlington Resources Inc. said Thursday that lower natural gas prices cut its third-quarter earnings by 16 percent.

Net income declined to \$20.7 million, despite an increase in revenue to \$314 million from \$309.5 million. Lower gas prices offset higher production and sales volume, the company said.

Natural gas prices were depressed by lower demand because of a cool summer, the restoration of service at some nuclear plants and increased imports from Canada, the company said.

United Paramount Sets Launch Date

NEW YORK (AP) - The launch of the television series "Star Trek: Voyager and its Mother Ship, the United Paramount network, are set for Jan. 16, the network has announced.

The new network will initially broadcast five series during four

bours of prime time each week. The schedule includes two situation comedies and two dramas, along with the network's centerpiece, the latest "Star Trek" offspring, said Lucie Salhany, president of United Paramount.

United Paramount claims 75 affiliates covering 65 percent of the United States. United Paramount network is operated by the Paramount Television Group and BHC Communications. Inc., a subsidiary of Chris-Craft Industries Inc.

Borden Bid Needs Wider Approval

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Bloomberg) — Holders of two-thirds of Borden Inc. stock must approve the pending \$2 billion takeover bid by Kohlberg, Kravis, Roberts & Co. for the transaction to go through, according to the filing with the Securities and Exchange

Previous reports based on statements from the two sides said that KKR needed just 41 percent approval for the takeover, because it could exercise an option for more Borden treasury stock that would give it 51 percent control.

The new filing is likely to cheer sbareholders who object to KKR's bid, KKR's offer, which will go to shareholders soon, would exchange \$14.25 of stock in RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. for each Borden share.

Thermo Bids for Puritan-Bennett

said Thursday it was working on a share flotation, a move that brokers expect would raise up to £1 billion (\$1.6 billion) and value OVERLAND PARK, Kansas (Bloomberg) - Puritan-Bennett Corp. said Thursday it had received an unsolicited offer from Thermo Electron Corp. to buy the company for \$21 a share, or about \$263 million.

In a letter, Thermo Electron said it was interested only if approved by the Puritan-Bennett board, a maker of medical products for the treatment of respiratory diseases and oxygen stems for aircraft.

Burton Dole, chairman and president of Puritan-Bennett, said the board recently decided that it would not want to sell the company at this time, but added that the "board of directors of Puritan-Bennett will, in due course, review the letter."

BSkyB said it was considering a public offer of the shares and listings on the London and New York exchanges.

it at up to £5 billion.

The deal could be completed by the end of this year, Richard Brooke, chief financial officer said.

BSkyB Considers Public Sale

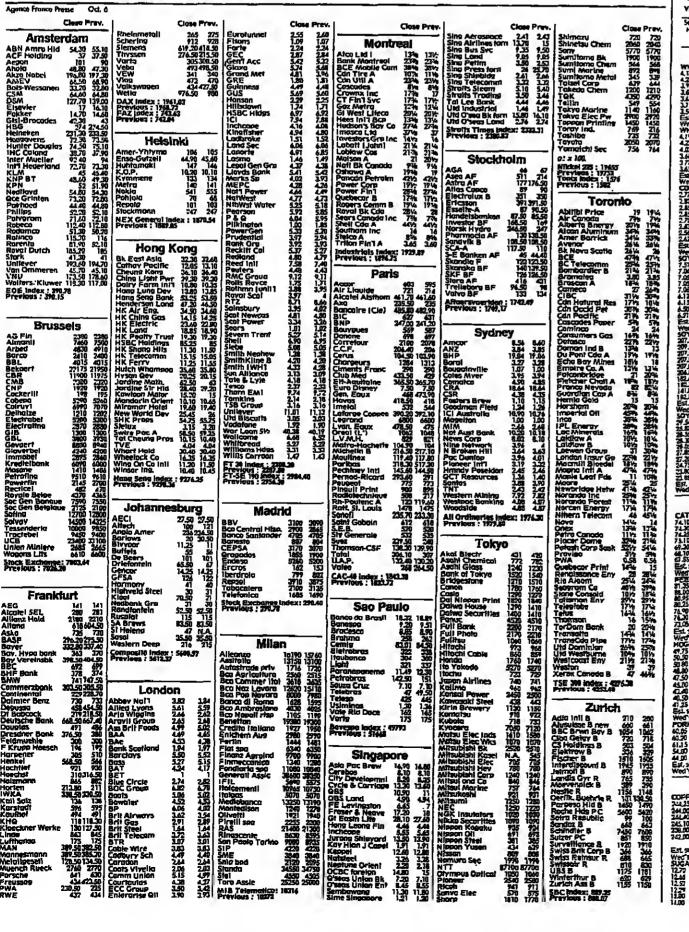
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LONDON --- British Sky Broadcasting, a satellite broadcaster.

The company, which is 50 percent owned by News Corp., 17.5 percent by Chargeurs SA of France, 17.5 percent by Pearson PLC and 13.5 percent by Granada Group PLC, appointed Goldman Sachs and Lazard Brothers as adviser and co-sponsor for the sale. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Fine on Tetra Pak Upheld by EU Court

LUXEMBOURG - The European Union's high court Thursday upheld the biggest fine inflicted on a company by the EU's executive agency, rejecting an appeal by the Swedish-Swiss packaging giant Tetra Pak. Tetra Pak International SA

had appealed a fine of 75 million European currency units (\$93 million) that the European Commission imposed in 1991 for abusing its dominant position in the packaging market.

"The application was dis-missed completely," said Michael Kenny, spokesman for the EU's Court of First Instance, which hears cases relating to breaches of EU competi-

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Tetra Pak reacted angrily to the ruling, saying it was based on "a flawed interpretation by the court of the market where Tetra Pak is competing and of the forces affecting this mar-

Christer Hedelin, Tetra Pak's general counsel, said the company was considering appealing the decision to another branch of the EU's high court, the European Court of Justice.

The commission imposed the fine on Tetra Pak in July 1991 ofter an 8-year investigation sparked by a complaint from a compensor, Elopak.

Tetra Pak invented plastic and aluminum-laminated cartons for milk and fruit juices. With operations in 120 countries and 15,000 employees, the Swiss-based company bad sales of \$5.5 hillion last year.

Among other competition abuses, the commission charged Tetra Pak was forcing dairies and others users of its packaging machines to use only its

Tetra Pak is owned hy Gad and Hans Rausing, Swedish brothers who moved to Britain 13 years ago.

Olivetti Adds Support Centers And Microsoft Partnership

LONDON - Olivetti SpA said Thursday it would spend \$120 million over three years to add desktop personal computer support centers around the world. The company also agreed to provide services to customers of Microsoft Corp. in Europe. The support centers will offer various technical services to

John Rogers of Dataquest Europe said Olivetti was the largest provider of such services, with sales of \$811 million last year.

Matav Dials Into Sophistication Hungary's Telephones Getting a New Ring

By Henry Copeland Special to the Herald Tribine

BUDAPEST - A year ago. Hungary's public telephone company. Matay, was in the middle of an impoverished pack. The company had only 14.5 lines for every 100 citizens, a normal ratio for its region but one-third the average in Western Europe.

Then in December, Deutsche Telekom and Ameritech Corp. paid \$875 million for a 30 percent stake in Matay. Now, the company is starting to pull away from its

[Denver & Ephrata Telephone Co., Consolidated Telephone Co. and Huntel said they had agreed to provide new telecommunications services in a rural area southeast of Budapest, Reuters reported Thursday from New York.]

By buying Matav, the foreign partners committed to increasing telephone lines by 15.5 percent a year for the next three years. Now, Matav forecasts line growth at over 20 percent in 1994, with cumulative growth of 80 percent by the end of 1997. In contrast, annual growth in telephone lines across Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union averages just 4.5 percent annually.

Matav's 1993 revenue of \$800 million was minuscule compared with its foreign partners' combined revenues of \$48 bilbon. But the Matay deal was Eastern Europe's largest to date, and "some would call it the most important," said Clell G. Harral, director of the telecommunications sector at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

"Information flows are fast becoming the lifeblood of industrial economies, and in this respect the telecommunications sector has perhaps the critical role to play," Mr. Harral said.

Deutsche Telekom and Ameritech executive experienced a corporate culture shock when they arrived at Matav. "Profit orientation is either nonexistent or underdeveloped," Mr. Anderson said. Timely financial data were scarce; the

With Deutsche Telekom and Ameritech, Matav is now starting to pull away from its Eastern peers.

company closed its books once a year and reported results up to five months later. Matav's foreign partners are intro-ducing monthly profit and loss state-ments and new accounting methods. Although employee payrolls account for only 19 percent of Matav's expendi-

tures, compared with 31 percent at Ameritech, Matav was overstaffed by international standards. The company bas just 75 lines per employee, compared with 293 lines per employee at Ameritech and 250 lines per employee at Deutsche Telekom at the end of 1993. Attrition among Matav's 19,100 employees and the addition of 1 million new lines will push this ratio to 200 to 1 by 1997, Mr. Anderson said.

The foreign partners have revved up Matav's borrowings, pushing them to 45 percent from 31 percent of equity, and capital expenditures jumped 50 percent

Czech national telephone company will invest only \$300 million in 1994; Poland's national telephone company, serving a population nearly four times that of Hungary or the Czech Republic, will spend only \$650 million on capital expenditures this year, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

A survey by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development found that business executives in the former communist bloc ranked poor telephones as their biggest domestic impediment to export.

In addition to Hungary, only Latvia and Estonia have sold stakes in their phone companies to strategic investors. The Czech Republic will put one quarter of its public telephone company out for tender next spring. Depending on elec-tions, Slovakia may follow suite. Poland permits competition for local phone services, but bas shown little inclination to sell any of its national company, which bas a monopoly on international and long distance services.

About 23 million people in Central and Eastern Europe are waiting for phones, according to estimates from the international Telecommunication Union, based in Geneva.

But if Hungary is any indication, waiting lists dramatically understate potential demand. "One of our objectives was to decrease the waiting list by 100,000 in 1994," said John R. Anderson, Ameritech's representative on the four-member committee that directs Matav's daily operations. "Through July we had added 122,000 lines, but the waiting list had only gone down by 5,000."

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Istituto Mobiliare Italiano SpA said it expected its 1994 net profit to be close to the 512 billion lire (\$325 million) posted in 1993.

Western German manufacturing orders fell a seasonally adjusted 2.2 percent in August from July, partly because many companies sbut down for several weeks.

Svenska Cellulosa AB's Moelnlycke unit was cleared by a Dutch court of patent infringement charges brought by Procter & Gamble Co. involving infant and adult diapers.

Philips Electronics NV said it planned to sell its industrial insurance unit to Nieuw Rotterdam Beheer NV, an insurance subsidiary of ABN-AMRO Holding NV. Knight Ridder, AFX

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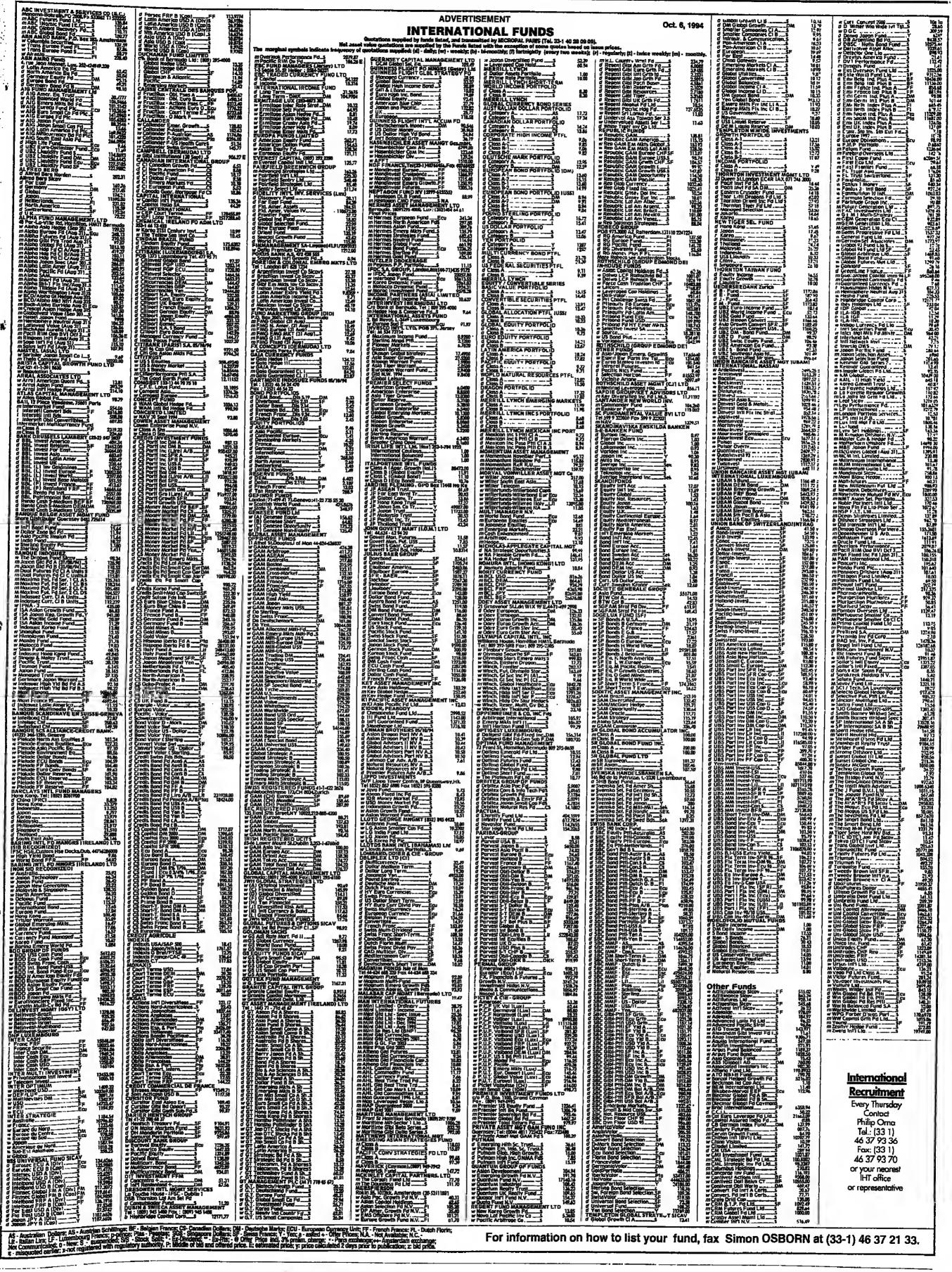
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EU Set to Approve More Aid for Bull

BRUSSELS - Karel Van Miert, the European competition commissioner, gave his blessing Thursday to a package of state aid valued at 11.1 billion French francs (\$2 billion) to the state-controlled computer company Groupe Bull, a source at the European Commission said.

The commission, which has been studying the group's re-structuring plan since it blocked a final tranche of 2.5 billion francs of aid in January. will not make a definitive decision until Wednesday.

But Mr. Van Miert's support makes it highly likely the package will be given the green light. setting the scene for a new row over French subsidies for com-

This week, the British gov-ernment, backed by seven Eu-ropean airlines, said it would take the commission to the European Court of Justice to contest the approval of 20 hillion francs in aid for Air France.

The French government, which announced the restructuring plan for Bull in October 1993, has said the cash represents a final injection necessary to allow the computer group,

than 20 billion francs over the last four years, to be privatized.

According to the commission source, Mr. Van Miert backed the capital injection because be was convinced the cost-cutting strategy put in place by Jean-Marie Descarpentries, chairman of Bull, was working and that the target of breaking even in 1995 was attainable.

Commission approval could also clear the way for NEC Corp. of Japan, which bolds 4.4 percent of Bull's capital, to significantly increase its holding.

Mr. Descarpentries, who aims to reduce the state's holding in the group to below 50 percent this year, appealed publicly for industrial partners in March when the group announced losses of 5 billion francs for 1993.

■ Bonn Funds Research

Germany pledged 600 mil-lion Deutsche marks (\$388 million) to boost research into civil air transport technology be-tween now and 1998, Bloomberg Business News reported from Bonn.

The funding, which must be matched by money from German companies, brings total

Shoot-Out Over Santa Fe Union Pacific Seeks to Scuttle Earlier Bid

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

CHICAGO — A takeover battle for Santa Fe Pacific Corp. erupted Thursday as Union Pacific Corp. followed an unsolicited \$3.20 billion bid with a lawsuit to break up an earlier offer from a rival railroad.

Santa Fe, a diversified company that owns the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., had been planning to be acquired by Burlington Northern Inc. The companies had arranged a stock-swap takeover in June that valued Santa Fe at about \$2.45 billion, based

on Thursday afternoon's trading prices.

Late Wednesday, Union Pacific made a surprise stock bid for Santa Fe. It followed that Thursday with a suit in Delaware chancery court against Burlington Northern and Santa Fe. The suit would force Santa Fe to terminate its deal with Burlington Northern and negotiate with Union Pacific.

Either combination would result in the largest U.S. railroad in terms of revenue and miles of track.

Santa Fe's board was meeting to decide n response to the bid Thursday. The company's shareholders were scheduled to vote next month on the Burlington offer.

In afternoon trading in New York on Thursday, Santa Fe was up \$2, at \$14.625 a share; Union Pacific was down \$2, at \$49.875

a share; and Burlington Northern was down 62.5 cents, at \$48.75.

At Thursday's prices, the Union Pacific bid was worth \$17.157 for each of the 186.52 million Santa Fe shares, while Burlington's offer was \$12.1628 Alves, while Burlington's offer was \$13.1625. Union Pacific is offering

0.344 share of its stock, and Burlington is bidding 0.27 share of its equity.

Analysts said the rise in Santa Fe's stock signaled a potential higher bid by Burlington. "People are thinking there could be a counteroffer," said James Valentine, an analyst at

Smith Barney Inc.

R. Edward Flood, an analyst at Robertson,
Stepbens & Co., added: "It's quite promising
going forward." He said Santa Fe "probably
will have to negotiate."

Some analysts said Union Pacifie's purpose may be to force Burlington to increase or end

may be to force Burlington to increase or end its offer. "This is a hand grenade of a bid," said Scott Flower of Kidder, Peabody & Co.

Union Pacific denied that it was trying to scuttle the Santa Fe-Burlington Northern deal. "This is a serious offer," said Gary Schuster, a spokesman for Union Pacific.

A merger of Union Pacific and Santa Fe would create a system with combined sales of would create a system with combined sales of \$7.4 billion, operating income of \$1.36 billion, based on 1993 figures, and 26,371 miles (42,500 kilometers) of track. The Burlington-

Santa Fe system would have sales of \$8 billion and 31,000 miles of track. Burlington Northern said its proposed merger with Santa Fe was better than Union Pacific's hostile takeover attempt because its

offer was "a direct response to the dominant position that Union Pacific has in the West." This is a case of the Union Pacific using its market power to become even more dominant at the public's expense," said Gerald Grinstein, Burlington Northern's chairman.

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Mitsubishi Joins in Bid For British Coal Unit

Agence France-Press

LONDON — Taylor Woodrow PLC and Mitsubishi Corp. have made a joint bid for the South Wales division of British Coal Corp., the state-owned mining operation earmarked for privatiza-tion, Taylor Woodrow said Thursday.

Taylor Woodrow declined to say what price had been offered. The government launched the privatization process April 13, dividing British Coal into five regional lots: Central North England, which includes part of Wales; Central South England; North East England; Scotland, and South Wales.

The government said it hoped to finalize the sales before the end of the year.

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Britain currently has just 16 deep mines still operating, employ-

ing 8,000 miners.

In October 1992, when its program of closing pits was announced, British Coal had 40,000 miners working at 50 pits. When the coal industry was nationalized in 1947, there were 718,000.

Output Fell In Britain In August

LONDON — Output from Britain's manufacturing industry fell in August, the Central Statistical Office said Thursday, calming concerns in financial markets that strong concial markets that strong eco-nomic growth would feed inflation.

Manufacturing production. which excludes output from ex-traction and utility supply indus-tries, fell 0.3 percent from July. Most analysts were expecting a rise of about 0.4 percent. Although a 6.8 percent slump

ed for just over half of the drop, there also was a 1.9 percent drop in textile production.

Some analysts said the figures showed that the government's interest rate increase in Scotem-

in coke and oil refining account-

ber may have been unnecessary. Financial markets in Britain rallied on the news. The yield on the benchmark 10-year gilt slipped to 8.82 percent from 8.91 percent Wednesday. The Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100-share index rose 0.95 percent.
(Bloomberg, Reuters)

OECD Raises Forecast of **Growth Rates**

PARIS — The OECD on Thursday upgraded its foreeast for economic growth in the developed world but urged governments to guard against a rebirth of inflation and high budget deficits.

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Staffan Sohlman, actin head of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, said the organization projected 3 percent growth in 1995 and 1996. In its last report, the OECD forecast 2.9 percent

growth for 1995.

Mr. Sohlman warned governments that economic expansion would only last if inflation were kept under control. "The most important message is that OECD governments will have to take care not to repeat the mistakes of the 1980s, when economies were allowed to overheat," he said."

He also said that Germany and other European countries should focus on

controlling their budgets.

For Europe, the OECD projected growth of just over 2 percent this year and 3 percent in 1995.

TAIPEI: Scandal Shakes Stocks

Continued from Page 11 Securities and Ta Chiang Secu-

The Securities and Exchange Commission said that this brought the value of trade defaults in two days to about 3.2 billion dollars, but later press reports said the total had grown to about 6.6 billion dollars. Altogether, 15 Taiwan broker-

ages were involved in payment defaults in the past two days, the Securities and Exchange Com-mission said Thursday.

Urging investors not to panic, Day Linin, the chairman of the SEC, announced a 9 billion dol-lar settlement fund financed by

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porarily cover share deliveries. ... But the instrumental role

played by illegal banks and money lenders in Taiwan's fi-nancial markets makes the end result of the defaults difficult to predict, said analysts who loosely estimated that the defaults could total & billion dollars.

"There was a lot of confusion today," said one Hong Kong-based trader monitoring the Taipei market. "It appears it's not just a few brokers in trou-ble. We're worried it's a more pervasive problem."

Most analysts said they be-lieved the fear of a default domino effect would trigger more losses Friday as margin calls for big individual investors widely believed to be facing liquidity problems force them to cash in positions taken in anticipation

positions taken in anticipation of a politically motivated rally.

But few said they expected the default crisis to trigger a lasting slump because many blue-chip stocks had held their value, while relatively smaller listings targeted by speculators

were heavily sold.
"Actually the falls provided good buying opportunities. 1 don't worry about it," said Jonathan Ross, Taiwan manager of HG Asia Securities.

Japan Investigates Bidding

Nine Electronics Companies Are Suspected

TOKYO - Nine Japanese electronics companies, including industry leaders Hitaehi Ltd. and Toshiba Corp., are under investigation for possibly rigging bids on hundreds of millions of dollars in public con-

mission said Thursday. Kenji Sugiura, a spokesman for the commission, said the nine companies may have held a "draft" similar to those in professional sports leagues wherein the companies took

tracts, Japan's Fair Trade Com-

turns selecting public contracts. The companies are suspected of fixing their bids so that each contract would be won hy the company that had selected it in the draft. Normally, hidding is supposed to be secret to encourage competition among the companies for the lowest price.

In addition to Toshiba and Hitachi, the companies being 46.8 hillion yen (\$470 million) investigated are Mitsuhishi in fiscal 1993 for electronic Electric Corp., Fuji Electric equipment, such as computers Co., Meidensha Corp., and machines to monitor water Yaskawa Electric Corp., Nissin quality. According to local Electric Co., Shinko Electric news reports, almost all of the Co. and Takaoka Electric Man- contracts went to the nine comufacturing Co.

The companies and the commission declined to comment. "We cannot do anything that might inhibit the investigation," said Hiromasa Maekawa, another commission spokesman.

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The Fair Trade Commission

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ging hids to supply equipment for Japan's foreign aid pro-gram. Last November, the com-

mission said it was investigating

six top electronics companies.

including Sony Corp. and NEC

Corp., on suspicion of fixing the hidding for giant video screens in sports stadiums. (AP, AFX)

in other Japanese sectors.

Mr. Sugiura said the investi-

The case could turn into the latest in a series of scandals ery are said to be the most comillustrating the wide extent of dange, or bid-rigging, which has been rampant in the construction industry. The United States has asked

the commission to crack down on hid-rigging because it limits access by foreign companies to Japan's lucrative government procurement market.

The latest case involves electronic equipment for sewage systems contracted by the Japan Sewage Works Agency, an affiliate of the Construction Ministry.

Best Little Offering In Australian Market

MELBOURNE - This city's most luxurious brothel unveiled plans Thursday to sell sex to investors by floating its business on the stock market.

The Daily Planet plans to raise 4 million Australian dollars (\$3 million) from investors for expansion and to list its shares on the Australian Stock Exchange, The Age newspaper re-

"They have contacted us, and they are going to let us list on the new tourism and leisure index," said a consultant. Andrew

It would be the first listed brothel in Australia. The newspaper said accountants had been brought in to value the assets of the luxurious hrothel, which employs more than 80 sex workers, 14 towel boys and six barmen, and offers 17 private rooms, some of them with spas.

The stock exchange said it had not yet received an application for a listing but would not oppose one if requested.

Prostitution is legal in the state of Victoria, within registered brothels and with the planning approval of local govern-

The hrothel, listed in the Melbourne telephone directory as "husinessmen's cluh" and located in a suburb, posts revenue

of about \$6 million a year.

The brothel, which recently underwent a renovation to include Greek columns and marble statues, charges clients a

room fee, and its workers then levy their own charges. Four years ago, a public offering hy Mustang Ranch, a hrothel in Nevada, was approved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, but the offering failed to meet its assigned deadline. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFX)

Singapore **Airlines Shares Fall**

The Associated Press

SINGAPORE - Singapore Airlines announced fare cuts Thursday of 10 percent to 20 percent on some classes of tickets, causing its shares to drop on the Singapore Stock Ex-

change. Singapore Airlines, which reported a smaller profit for its latest year than for the year before, said it thought lower fares for first-class and husiness-class seats would help stimulate demand.

But analysts said the fare cuts would eat into the earnings of the partly government-owned carrier, which made 801 million Singapore dollars (\$543 mil-lion) in 1993-94, down from 850.6 million dollars in the previous year.

Separately, in Rangoon, Bur-ma, state-owned Myanma Airways signed a joint-venture agreement with Air Mandalay Holdings Ltd. of Singapore to operate domestie flights in Burma and package tours from Burma to Thailand.

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Very briefly:

 India said it would not allow foreign airlines to take more than a 40 percent stake in its domestic airlines.

• China, South Korea and Saudi Arabia are cooperating on an oil refinery valued at \$1.5 hillion to be established on the north China coast. Saudi Arabia was control 45 percent of the operation with China holding 40 percent and South Korea 15 percent.

People's Insurance Co. of China, the largest Chinese insurer, wants to expand in Asia using Singapore as a launching pad, according to the Business Times.

• Toyota Motor Corp. said that next year it would import and market in Japan a new large car, the Avalon, made exclusively at

its U.S. plant in Georgetown, Kentucky. • IBM Japan Ltd. is redeploying 1,000 white-collar workers in marketing and other operations in a bid to boost profit.

• Mitsubishi Materials Corp. said it would huild a \$240 million silicon wafer manufacturing plant in Salem, Oregon, to hoost its production of semiconductors.

 Airbus Industrie said it would invest \$25 million to build a training center near Beijing's airport.

· Mitsui & Co. and IDB Communications Group Inc. said it won an order to huild a ground station for satellites in Vietnam. AFX, AP.

Huaneng ADR Is Priced Below Prospectus's Target

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG — Huaneng Power International Inc. of China priced its American depositary receipts at \$20 each, a spokesman for Lehman Brothe's, global coordinator for the isoue, said Thursday.

That price is 27 percent lower than the top price of \$27.50 cited in the company's preliminary listing prospectus. At that price, the issue of

31 25 million ADRs would raise atiout \$625 million. Huaneng Power owns and

operates power plants in China and is based in Beijing. Analysts said Lehman Brothers had promised Huaneng

Power a higher price than it

could deliver in its effort to handle the listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

"Some investment banks are going around offering extreme-China," Niek Moakes of S.G. Warburg Securities said.

Stock analysts said the issue had been hurt by the poor performance of Shandong Huaneng Power Development Co., which was the first Chinese company to have its primary listing in the U.S. market.

Shangdong Huaneng's ADR closed at \$11.625 Wednesday, down from its offering price of \$14.25 in early August

Cower Plant Planned for Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — The Hong Kong entrepreneur Gordon Wu said Thursday he would finance a \$7.5 billion coalfired power plant for Pakistan, the largest single investment in the country's history.

Consolidated Electrical Power Asia, a division of Mr. Wu's Hopewell Holdings Ltd., plans to start building the plant within 30 days.

The plant, in the Thar desert in Sind Province, will provide 5.280 megawatts of power and is expected to employ 5.000 people. Much of Pakistan is still without electricity, and even the major cities lack adequate power, suffering routing bouts of blackours.

PACIFIC: Up in a Bear Market

Continued from Page 11 the Salim family, a move that

would largely complete First Pacific's consolidation, according to Mr. Pangilinan. There has been a sea change

in our philosophy, he said. "We are now more highly focused on organic growth than asset trading. We are a fairly young company; we had to learn where we wanted to go."

First Pacific has ruled out the sale of its stake in Hagemeyer, out it said it would concentrate on expansion in Asia. The company said its expertise in telecommunications and real estate, which it developed in Hong Kong, would lead the way throughout Southeast Asia and, more gradually, China.

From 1990 to 1993 First Pa-ific's earnings from Asian oprations grew to 68 percent rom 61 percent of total profit. he contribution from telecom-Anications businesses rose to Con percent from 1.3 percent Egyg the same period.

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sion to construct a fixed-line telephone service that would have begun to compete with Hong Kong Telecom and others in 1995.

Some saw that as another slight for a company that stands outside Hong Kong's cozy corporate world of British and Chinese business circles.

But in retrospect, the company said it was relieved to have been able to put its resources into markets with greater growth potential than fixed-line telephones.

First Pacifie already has a strong presence in wireless phones and portable pagers in

Hong Kong. Smart Communications, which is controlled by First Pacific, has four telecommunications licenses in the Philippines. The potential for growth there is enormous — the country has one of Asia's lowest per-capita telephone rates.

Analysts said they expected Smartcom to begin making operating profit in 1995 as it builds a nationwide cellular phone business, three local area exchanges, an international call gateway system and a paging service. Technical and financial hacking will come from a stillto-be-named international telecommunications company.

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Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and reach KLM no later than November 15, 1994.
Winners will be informed before January 31, 1995.
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SPORTS

U.S., Scotland Win In Dunhill Opener

.The American titleholders edged years." Japan and Scotland got revenge against Paraguay on Thursday as a vicious cross wind battered the golfers on the opening day of the Dunhill Cup.

Curtis Strange, the winner of successive U.S. Opens in 1988 and 1989, was the architect of the top-seeded Americans' 2-1 triumph over Japan, with six closing pars, taking him past Tomohiro Maruyama to a victory by 78 shots to 80 in the decisive match.

The Scottish rookie Andrew Coltart woo a nail-biting battle against Raul Fretes on the first playoff hole after squandering a six-shot lead with seven holes left as Scotland won, 2-1, against the Paraguayan trio who had stunned the Scots at the same stage last year.

Both those victories were achieved late in the day as the wind had died down after buffeting the players with gusts of more than 50 mph (80 kph).

achieved late in the day as the of Zimbabwe, beat Bernhard Langer, 76-78, for his first individual triumph in the competition as Zimbabwe won, 2-1,

"It was the toughest wind I over the Germans. -have ever played in," Strange said, echoing the views of most

Ooe who disagreed was Greg Norman, who made light of the tournament. chel Besanceney. Norman, back hole of their match. in action after five weeks of

illness, was among a minority of players who had fun. wind I've played in. I was able 2-1.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — to play some shots today that I haven't even practiced in five

No one beat the par-72 on the 6,933-yard Old Course, though two other players, Greg Turner of New Zealand and Darren Clarke of Ireland, matched it.

Chen Tze-Chung of Taiwan shot 83 and still defeated Wayne Westner of South Africa by a stroke, beating the previous highest winning score of 81, which was tied by two other players Thursday.

One was the U.S. Open champion, Ernie Els, who woo by two shots from Yeh Chang-ting as South Africa beat Taiwan, 2-1. "I'm embarrassed to win with

that. I had oo idea on the greens," Els said. David Frost secured the other point for South Africa's vic-

tory, over Cheo Tze- mine. The world No. 1, Nick Price

Price, the British Open and U.S. PGA champion, lost all three of his matches for Zimbabwe last year, his first in the

conditions to lead the Austra-lians past France, 2-1, by shoot-ling a level-par 72 against Mi-Dave Barr on the second extra

England beat Spain, which is without Seve Ballesteros and José Maria Olazábal, 3-0, and "I don't think it's the worst New Zealand defeated Ireland, (Reuters, AFP)



Greg Norman teeing off in the first round of the Dunhill Cup; Norman and his Australian teammates defeated France.

NHL Players Reject Proposals and the Insults Fly

day or two."

NEW YORK - National Hockey League players have rejected two new proposals from the league, prompting insults from one owner and his prediction that there will be no labor

agreement by Oct. 15. The league and the union spent six hours bargaining on a day when discourse degenerated into vituperation. Gary Bettman, the NHL commissioner, was forced to apologize for comments by the New Jersey Devils' owner, John McMullen, that is the right thing to say," he said.

It was the second day of contract negotiations since Bett-

"The most important thing in man delayed the start of the the world when you deal with a season for at least two weeks. union is to have an intelligent union leader," McMullen said. "We did not have one today."

Boh Goodenow, head of the union, said he would "not lower" himself to respood, and Bettman tried to smooth over the dispute. "I want to go on record as saying I do not think that is the right thing to say," he

> But none of the owners held out hope for a settlement by

"I doo't think we're going to For the Record be able to reach an agreement, After turning down two of-McMullen said. "It's over."

fers from the owners, the play-ers said they would come back "The lines are hardening," said Howard Baldwin, owner of the Pittsburgh Penguins. "I'm with a counterproposal "in a very disappointed, very frus-The season was to have starttrated. I'm oot optimistic at ed Saturday. Bettman has said he hoped to begin the season

Oct. 15, provided there was suf-Goodenow said the negotiations were hasically stuck on ficient progress toward a labor one major issue "revenue reallocation," a system to divide income to help the league's

SIDELINES

Giants to Retire Taylor's Number

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey - The New York Chants announced that former linebacker Lawrence Taylor, a future Hall of Famer, will have his jersey number retired at halftime of Monday night's game against the Minnesota Vikings at Chants

The Giants invited Phil Simms to be honored as well, but the former quarterback, citing a scheduling conflict, declined. Taylor, who wore number 56, is only the eighth player in the 70-

year history of the Giants to have his jersey retired. The Giants' president, Wellington Mara, said in a statement that the team would retire Simms's number 11 sometime in the future.

PGA's Daly Loses His Sponsorship

CHICAGO (AP) - John Daly, who withdrew from the PGA Tour last month because of personal problems, has lost his sponsorship with Wilson Sporting Goods Co.

The company said it had suspended its contract with Daly, one

of golf's most popular players. Wilson said it would resume its relationship with him under a "restructured agreement" once the company is satisfied Daly has met "specific behavioral and performance objectives." Wilson did elaborate on those require-

Baltimore Added to Whitbread Race

SOUTHAMPTON, England (AP) — Baltimore will be a portof-call for the first time in the Whitbread Round the World Race, when the world's premier long-distance sailing event is next held,

starting in September 1997.

The addition of Baltimore will give the event two stopovers in the United States. The other is Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Lee Gamble, 84, a Cincinnati Reds outfielder in the late 1930s, died Wednesday after being stricken at his home in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

Organizers of the Atlanta Olympics will be getting at least \$20 million worth of help from the armed forces to provide security during the 1996 Games.

Nebraska quarterback Tommie Frazier, once a leading contend-

er for the Heisman Trophy, who has been hospitalized with a blood clot in his right leg, is almost certain to miss the rest of the

Prosecutors in Scottsdale, Arizona, have decided against prosecuting the boxer Michael Carbajal for allegedly having hit a bouncer at a bar, saying there was insufficient evidence that he had committed a crime,

SCOREBOARD

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Pakiston, stopped J. Al Dosary, Soudi Arabja, 2:53. 2nd round; Pumilaka Nitomi, Japan, stopped Omid Roshid, Iran, 2:26, 2st round;

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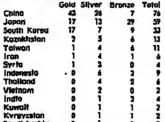
TENNIS

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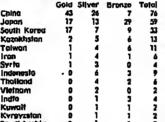
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PASEBALL
American League
CALIFORNIA—Waived Morold Reynolds, second baseman, for unconditional release.
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a Irec seent, LOS ANGELES—Designated for assign-ment Jim Gett and Roger McDawell, pitchers, and Cory Snyder, outfielder, Boushi contracts of Torn Prince, corcher, Al Osuno, pilcher, onc

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SAN FRANCISCO—Bought contract of
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BASKETBALL Notional Basketball Association BOSTON—Named Jon Januarys director of bosketball development. toni cooch. Added Grey Dreiling and Mark Buford, centers; Gary Collier, Sleve Coulter mons. Morous Liberty and Bill Edwards, fo

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NEW YORK-Signed Monty Williams, forward, to multiveer Controct.

ORLANDO—Signed Tree Rolline, center and assistant cooch, and Geerl Hammink. Center, and Keith Tower, center-forward.

PORTLAND—Signed Agron McKie, guard, to 4-year contract, SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Waived Lipyel Donlets, guard.

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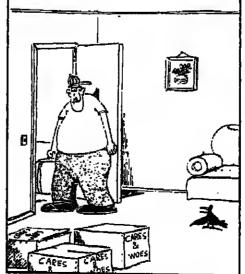












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Big Switch Is On In Cycling as Teams Redo Their Rosters

PARIS — The transfer season in proceed a move officially opened a week ago but nearly everybody making a move has announced it already, sometimes as long ago as the Tour de France in July.

Such big names as Luc Leblane, Jean-François Bernard, Andy Hampsten, Gianni Bugno, Wilfried Nelissen and Djamolidine Abdoujaparov are moving, while Greg LeMond, Sean Kelly, Marc Madiot, Charly Motter and Pedro Delgado have either retired or

are considering doing so.

Some teams have lost their sponsors but only Novemail, a French-Beigian team, has failed to find a replacement so far. Other teams -notably Banesto

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the United States — have redone their rosters in a big way.

At Banesto, where Miguel Interest is the iele, one of his durain is the jefe, one of his lieutenants, Bernard, has

moved off, possibly to Italy; one, Melchor Mauri, has joined ONCE, and another, Delgado, has gone to the sidelines in Segovia. Replacing them will probably be Thomas Davy

from Castorama and definitely Hampsten from Motorola.
"He'll be a big belp for Indurain in the mountains," said Paul Sherwen, a spokesman for the American team, as he discussed Hampsten. "Over the last few years Andy bas been an extremely consistent rider in the mountains."

Sherwen was giving an overview of next season for his own team, which also sought to sign Davy, a Frenchman. Call it a bousecleaning, call it a youth movement, give it the proper spin and call it e renewal — by whatever name, Motorola will be different.

Remodeled? "It certainly is," Lance Armstrong said emphatically. "Lo and behold, the team looks almost completely different."

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Gone, in addition to Hampsten, 32, will be such veteran stars as Raul Alcala, 30, and Phil Anderson, 36, both retired. Support riders leaving the roster are Norm Alvis, 31; Steve Larsen, 24; Kai Hundertmarck, 25; Jan Schur, 32, and Brian Smith, 27.

"It's a natural progression," explained Sherwen, "In Phil, Raul and Andy, we've lost a lot of the elder statesmen, but I think we have a very solid nucleus of riders whom we can count on."

Heading them, of course, is Armstrong. Not far behind him in the overall planning is Alvaro Mejia, the 27-year-old Colombian who was a disappointment this year after his splendid fourth place in the 1993 Tour de France,

in the 1993 Tour de France, "We're going to invest a tremendous amount of time and effort into bringing Mejia back to a performance position," said Jim

Ochowicz, the team's general manager.

Specifically how? "Communicate with him more. We didn't give him as much direction as we should have and we can do a better job. In the winter we stopped communicating with him and when he came to training camp in January, his condition was not

what it should have been. In this sport you can't start the season behind and play catchup. He showed us he still has the ability, the talent, but it has to be done on a more consistent basis."

In sbort, Mejia needs motivation. Motorola has to make sure he finds it since he's the only strong climber left with Hampsten and Alcala gone. For now at least, Armstrong is a classics specialist, which leaves Mejia as the team's

main general classification bope in the big tours.

"We've got one super climber," said Ocbowicz, referring to Mejia, "but we want to see what these young guys can do. I wouldn't be surprised to see one or another of our young guys get in a big event and show they are climbers."

The "young guys" include such new recruits as Bobby Julich, 24, and Kevin Livingstone, 21, from the United States; Max Van Heeswijk, 21, from the Netherlands; Gordon Fraser, 25, from Canada; Axel Merckx, 22, from Belgium and Fabio Casartelli, 24, from Italy.

Sberwen, a former rider, had high praise especially for Van Heeswijk, whom be described as "one of the most promising Dutch riders, a member of the Dutch national team for the last two years and a very good sprinter." Fraser is also a sprinter and dominated amateur racing in France early this season, recording more than 20 victories. Casartelli won the road race at the Olympic Games in Barcelona in 1992.

Armstrong was pleased with the signings of Julich and Livingstone, the current U.S. amateur road race champion, both of wborr be rode with in his amateur days. "We're an American team and we should recruit American talent," be said. "Physically, Julich's very very talented and he proved to be one of the strongest Americans

Livingstone's a good kid and a good bike rider."

Roughly half the team will be holdovers. "Sean Yates and Steve Bauer will be the captains," Sherwen said. "Frankie Andreu is ne longer just a developing rider. He's matured.

"I think George Hincapie will have an even better season next year.

With a little bit of special training during the winter, George could develop into a top sprinter. He won two stages in the Tour of Luxembourg in the sprint and has the right temperament." Hincapie, an American, just turned 21 and Andreu, also American, is 28. Negotiations are continuing to sign Andrea Peron, 23, an

Italian of great promise who has ridden the last two years for Polti

"He's a strong guy," Armstrong said. "If we get that worked out, be's a guy we're looking to to step up a little bit, to be one ol the leaders on the team."

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NBA Acts to Curb Rough Play

NEW YORK - Look for more outside sbooting, less ob-struction in the backcourt and milder trash-talking in the Na-tional Basketball Association under new rules approved by the league's Board of Gover-

In voting for changes de-signed to increase scoring and decrease fighting, the NBA owners addressed concerns that the game was being dominated by defense and overly physical ay. Last season, neither the Houston Rockets nor the New York Knieks reached 100 points in the seven-game NBA

"There's been a slight change in the game over the years, and the competition committee felt strongly it was time to open up the game a little bit," Commissioner David Stern said Wednesday.

moving the 3-point line to a thing that could escalate into a uniform 22 feet (6.7 meters). Currently the arc is 22 feet in the corners hut extends to 23 feet, 9 inches beyond the top of

In addition to boosting offense, the league hopes, the adjustment will require teams to defend the perimeter more and unclog the free-throw lane. Under another rule change, a

player fouled while taking a 3pointer will get three free

and in the front court as far as the bench during an altercation. the foul line

"By enforcing the hand-checking, that will clear up a part of the game that had gotten out of hand," said Rod Thorn, the NBA's vice president of op-erations. "All players were taught in their early stages that defense was done with your

Hand-checking, he said, "started with us."

"tf you're used to grabbing and holding people," he said, "you'll have to adjust."

Other rule changes adopted: When a player has a clear path to the basket, a two-shot foul will be called if a defender grahs him in the backcourt. Players wbo commit two

flagrant fouls in a game will be Officials will more strictly

enforce rules against trash-talking and taunting, calling a tecb-The most notable change is nical when a player says some-

 Fines for technical fouls will increase to \$500, from \$100 for the first one and \$150 for the second.

• The second or more of back-to-back timeouts when the ball is not inbounded can be no longer than 45 seconds. In response to a spate of

fights during last year's playoffs, including a brawl between the Knicks and the Bulls that broke out right in front of The league also prohibited Stern, the league also stiffened hand-checking in the backcourt penalties for players who leave

ple of ugly incidents during the playoffs," Thorn said. "We understand that emotions run high, but we will not tolerate

ond vault. Asian or Games records fell

China's 'Mighty Mouse' Takes 4 Gold Medals

HIROSHIMA, Japan — The scored a nearly perfect record in ute, 9.87 seconds. For China's gymnastics and completed a 1-2 weep of all the Asian Games

The Chinese women swimmers stayed unbeaten, helping their nadon pile up 15 gold medals for the day.

South Korea's surge continued as it swept the day's five gold medals in Greco-Roman wrestling, won two gymnastics golds and added one each in swimming, bowling, fencing and weightlifting.

Japan, struggling to hold on to second place in the medals

race, won one each in swimming, tennis, gymnastics and bowling.

That left China with a total of 43 golds, while Japan and South Korea each had 17. Kazakhstan bad two and Taiwan, Iran and

Syria one each. In total medals, China led with 76 to 59 for Japan and 33

for the Koreans. China's "Mighty Mouse," 15-year-old Mo Huilan, won in the vault, uneven bars, beam and floor exercises. She also has a share in the Chinese women's team gold, but missed all-round gold Wednesday with a fall from the beam.

The male gymnast Li Xiaoshuang became China's second triple-gold medalist of the Games, after the swimmer Xiong Guoming, He won in the floor exercise, in which be is the Olympie champion, and had golds earlier from the team and all-round competitions.

The world champion Huang Liping won on the parallel bars, Fang Hongbin on the rings, and Li Jing on the horizontal har. Another Chinese gymnast,

Huang Huadong, shared the gold on the pommel horse with Yoshiaki Hatekeda of Japan and Lee Jang Hyung of South Players who do so will receive Korea.

Yeo Hong Chul of South Kean automatic suspension of at least one game and be fined a rea was the only man to completely break the Chinese stranglehold, winning the vault despite spraining his right ankle on the dismount after his sec-

in all five of the day's swimming

were Liu Limin in the 100-me- beat teammate Xiao Hailiang teenager her teammates call ter butterfly in 58.38 seconds 679.74 to 658.41. Japan's Keita "Mighty Mouse" swept four and Dai Guobong in the 100-Kaneto took the bronze with gold medals Thursday as China meter breaststroke in one minmen, Wang Yiwu won the 200-

meter breaststroke in 2:14.56.

Japan edged the Chinese
3:23.80 to 3:24.55 in the men's 400-meter freestyle relay. Hisham Masri of Syria by 1.14

In diving, Chinese world champion Tan Shuping and the Olympie gold medalist, Sun Shuwei, had to fight off ehallenges from their own team-

world champion, 10-meter plat-form utilist Fu Mingxia, for the Sou

China already had placed 1-2 in the women's platform and men's springboard events.

South Korea's wrestling winners were Min Kyung Gab, over Khaled Faraj of Syria at 52 kilograms; Choi Sang Sun, over South Korea's Bang Seung lograms; Choi Sang Sun, over Hoon won the men's individual 400 freestyle in 3:54.72, beating stan at 62 kilograms; Han Chee Ho, over Rouslan Journabekov of Kazakhstan at 74 kilograms: Yang Young Jin, over Japan's Keniehi Suzuki at 130.

The Koreans won their fencing gold when their men's foil Tan had to beat another team beat China, 9-7, in the

South Korea and China split gold in the women's 3-meter springboard diving. She came golds. China's weightlifung out ahead 605.82 to 585.09, with Japan's Yuki Motobucbi third with 543.12.

Leader of Phony Team Arrested in Philippines

The Associated Press

MANILA -- The police arrested Thursday the leader of 56 Filipinos who tried to sneak into Japan to find johs by posing as athletes headed for the Asian Games.

Jerry Velasco appeared before officers of the National Bureau of Investigation to explain the incident and was immediately arrested on outstanding warrants for a string of fraud cases dating from to 1983, said Antonio Aragon, the assistant bureau director,

Aragon said new charges were being readied in connection with the attempt to send workers illegally to Japan.
"I was just trying to help these people," Velasco said. He said most of those who joined the trip had their visa applications rejected and were desperate to enter Japan to be with

relatives who are working there. He said he knew the Japanese government had waived visa requirements for athletes in the games,

Nestor Mantaring, a bureau liaison to Interpol, said summonses had been issued to 11 people who joined Velasco in

Vie Endriga, a spokesman for the Philippine Sports Commission, said "poor intelligence-gathering" gave the group away. They were posing as volleyball players but the Philippines sent no volleyball team. Endriga said some of those who joined the trip also were either too short or too old for

When the fake athletes showed up at the airport in Fukuoka, they were counterfeit Philippine team uniforms, simulated stickers on their baggage and carried forged identification

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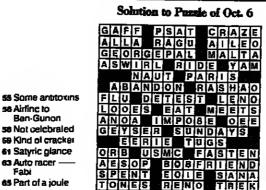
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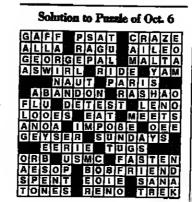
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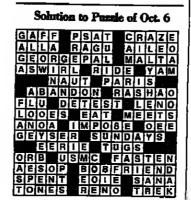
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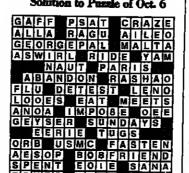
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My Son the Doctor

By Russell Baker
NEW YORK — When he was little my son used to scoff at me. "Someday." I used to say, "when I am used up and decrepit and hovering between life and death I want to be able to call for my son the doctor.

"Hah!" he would scoff. "Hah! 'My son the doctor,' eh? A fat lot of good he'll do you in that future someday of your decrepitude, old-timer-to-be."

who will then come and save my

I mourned his contempt for my dreams. So when one day, fully grown, he came home from Harvard and said, "You may now call me your son the doctor," f was ecstatic.

"Before you go forth on your missions of mercy," I said, "be good enough to give me a free diagnosis of these unbearable pains right here in the - "

He stopped me before my shirt was half unbuttoned. Did l think he was one of those pill prescribers, one of those carve em and sew em scalpelmeisters, one of those Hippocratic leeches on the prostrate body of the American insurance industry? Not he, not my son the doc-

tor. He was of a higher order, the new order prevailing in this future medical someday, which f had long ago failed to envision

In short, he was a Doctor of Medical Insurance. Years of postgraduate education and research had qualified him to treat the most expensive medical procedures ever devised.

Old-fashioned medical-type doctors lived in fear of him, and with good reason. When examining a medical doctor he could instantly detect a tendency to put excessive strain on insurance-company assets.

ft made me proud to think of these medical money squander-

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ers on their knees pleading with my son the doctor not to cut off their access to the premium-

payer's hard-earned dollar. But wasn't it humiliating for a once-proud profession to dance to the tune of commerce? After doctors had spent all those years fighting to keep government hu-reaucracy out of medicine why

corporate hureaucracy? Doctors aren't any smarter than anybody else," explained my son the insurance doctor. "And why," he continued, "are you flopping around on the floor like that?"

had they surrendered so easily to

Sometimes, I explained, the pain — right here — became so unbearable that f collapsed and hecame unconscious, though other times I merely flopped

uncontrollably on the floor. "Can you stop gasping long enough to tell me if you have medical insurance, and if so, with which company?"

f confessed to having insurance. "Disgraceful." said the lad. "With people in your condition being insured it's redition being insured, it's no wonder the insurance industry is hard pressed for money to put into real-estate speculations.

What company was foolish enough to insure you?" What an insurance doctor! I was proud of that hoy, helieve me. Even through the pain and flopping around I could see in him the virtues that had made

America Number One.
"My boy, my boy," I sohbed as the light started to fail. "How wrong I was all those years ago to want you to become a medicine doctor so you could save me when I hovered between life and death. The cost of doing so might well have forced the insurance industry to shut you down for being cost-inefficient."

I was gone before the life insurance company could cancel my policy. ft's not bad over here. Government does the insuring.

New York Times Service

Voltaire Anniversary: Revisiting the Asylum

By Barry James

PARIS — On the morning after the sinking of the Estonia last week, an English bishop told radio listeners that such tragedies were part of God's providence. Without them, he said, mankind could have no free will.

Many believe it so. But what would Voltaire have made of it? In all probability, he would be rushing a longish poem or a shortish book into print. musing again that theology "is like going the rounds of a lunatic asylum. Voltaire's reaction to a similarly in-

explicable tragedy inspired his angrest and many say his greatest poem. "On the Lisbon Disaster." He wondered why a benevolent God would wish the destruction by earthquake of one of the most Catholic cities in Europe at precisely the hour when most people were at Mass. Then he wrote "Candide." poking rihald fun at the optimistic be-lief that all is for the best in the best of

all possible worlds.
On the 300th anniversary of his birth this year, "people still find Voltaire uncomfortable," said Andrew Brown, executive director of the Voltaire Foundation at Oxford University, "There are many who find him quite beyond the pale, certainly religiously."

In Paris, the anniversary is being marked hy a superb exhibition called "Voltaire and Europe" running to Jan. 8. It is jointly organized by the Bib-liotheque Nationale and the French mint in a series of 18th-century salons at the Hotel de la Monnaie. "Voltaire and Europe" is a fitting title, because he was the most European of the 18th century philosophes in refusing to place any barrier to intellectual inquiry or to

universal values of liberty and justice. François-Marie Arouet — his real name — was born in Paris hut spent most of his life elsewhere, often on the run from outraged authority. Voltaire was a court gadfly until he quarreled with an insufferable aristocrat and took refuge in London. His contacts with the English empiricists, and his discovery of Shakespeare's plays and Newton's physics, turned him from poet and playwright into the fiery freethinker

that history remembers. Fresh from seemingly interminable religious wars and intolerance in France, Voltaire was amazed to find



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that the Englishman was free to go to heaven "by the path that pleases him best." He thought a land with one religion was certain to be a tyranny. With two religions, men will cut each others' throats for sure. With 30, they can live

in harmony, quote?
Voltaire's first major contribution to the Enlightenment was his "Letters concerning the English Nation" in 1733 and 1744. He began by writing four letters on the Quakers who, he said, had no church, no priests and no sacraments yet followed the Christian precepts more faithfully than any other Christians he had met

The Paris exhibition is a reminder that Voltaire was a competent writer in English as well as a superh one in French. He wrote both his "Essay upon Epick Poetry" and an "Essay upon the Civil Wars of France" in his adoptive language to great critical acclaim. Later. in collaboration with his intellectually ordiant mistress, Madame du Chatele.. he persuaded the French to accept Newton's law of gravity to explain why objects act on one another at

ory of invisible vortices. "For many people be is too simple," Brown said. "Rousseau and Diderot

a distance, rather than Descartes' the-

are much more popular in academic circles because they were more subtle writers. Voltaire's great inconvenience was saying what he meant and meaning what he said. His writing is all too clear. It does not allow the same same room for academic hairsplitting as the oth-

The exhibition, of course, pays attention to Voltaire's relationship with Frederick II, the philosopher-despot of Sans Souci, and with Catherine II of Russia. Catherine, whom Voltaire called the Semiramis of the North, bought his library of 7,000 books. The city of St. Petersburg has sent some of the books to the exhibition, several of them filled with caustic margin notes in Voltaire's handwriting. "Will you shut up!" he annotated against a Jesuit priest's description of demonic possession. "Dangerous book!" he scrawled across the frontispiece of a volume of theology.

Voltaire became the equivalent of a modern millionaire through canny investments, and settled in a château at Ferney, just inside France but close enough to Switzerland to hop over the border if he needed to escape from the

Catholic theologians of the Sorbonne. But he had his problems with the Geneva Calvinists as well. They ordered every available copy of his "Philosophical Dictionary" to he hurned, while the book was put on the pyre in France along with a nohleman executed for blasphemy.

After the torture and execution of a Protestant shopkeeper — the Calas affair --- Voltaire stepped in to defend the man's reputation and family, and declared all-out war on religious supersti-

tion and intolerance.

For all his reputation as a firebreathing priest-eater, however, other freethinkers doubted the sincerity of Voltaire's campaign to "crush the infamy!" He always defended the Jesuits, who gave him a rational education. He admired the charity work of nuns, built a church on his estate and even joined a lay association of the Capuchin friars. He seemed quite proud of it. He acknowledged that religion was needed to

curb men's murderous instincts. He left the world, at the age of 84, with this bon mot. "I die adoring God, loving my friends, not hating my ene-mies and detesting superstition."

PEOPLE

Ex-Wife Gives Kennedy An Election-Time Break

Joan Kennedy has decided to postpone reopening her divorce settlement from Senator Edward M. Kennedy until after the November election. Monroe Inker, her lawyer, declined to give a reason for the delay. But it may well be a relief to the senator, who has his hands full seeking re-election against a tough challenge from the Republican Mitt Romney. Two years ago Kennedy was married for the second time, to Victoria Reggie, a Washington lawyer. . \square

Tom Clancy, former suburhan Maryland car insurance salesman turned best-selling techno-scribbler, was not happy with Christopher Buckley's review of his latest novel, "Deht of Honor" (766 pages), in the Oct. 2 issue of The New York Times Book Review, and it triggered a literary feud by fax. Buckley's derisive review began with a Mark Twain quip, "Once you put it down, you can't pick it up," and went on from there. Clancy fired off a fax to Buckley, a Washington writer and son of William F. Buckley Jr. It said in part: "You seem to have inherited your father's hauteur. hut, alas, not his talent or noblesse. Revealing a surprise ending for a novel is had form, lad." Waspish faxed exchanges followed, but when Clancy was reached by telephone he told. The Washington Post the faxes were all a joke. "I'm sorry he didn't take it that way. I goofed. l'm sorry."

President François Mitterrand's black felt hat raised 35,000 francs (\$6,600), five times as much as supermodel Cindy Crawford's skimpy white bikini at a Paris auction of celebrity paraphernalia to support the fight against Af DS. More than I million francs was raised with such items as Magic Johnson's jerseys and a tennis ball signed by Arthur Ashe.

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